



Diocesan Bulletin

Mid-Summer - July/August 2025

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

Upcoming Events

The Alpha Marriage Course will run 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. **Thursday evenings July 31 to Sept. 11**, to renew and strengthen relationships. Held in Fr. Donlevy Hall at St. Anne Catholic Church, 217 Lenore Dr., Saskatoon, the seven sessions include a video presentation, private discussion with your spouse, and delicious dessert. Register at <https://saintannes.ca/the-marriage-course> or contact Erin Hickey at ehickey@rcdos.ca for information.

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle includes adoration, rosary, benediction, hymns and various prayers, 7:30 p.m. **July 31** at St. Michael Parish #18-33rd St. E., Saskatoon. For more info, call Edna (306) 382-1680.

Saskatoon Welcomes Bishop from Nigeria: The African-Canadian Catholic Community of Saskatoon invites all to a special Eucharistic celebration at 2 p.m. **Sunday, Aug. 3** at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon, with Bishop John Nimaza Niyiring, OSA, of Nigeria presiding. Refreshments and fellowship follows.

Jesus Youth Saskatchewan pilgrimage will be held **Sunday, Aug. 3** at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine at St. Laurent (near Duck Lake), a designated pilgrimage site for the Jubilee Year of Hope. Gather at 2 p.m. Aug. 3; adoration and confessions 3 p.m. at Grotto; Mass at 4 p.m., followed by a potluck meal. RSVP to: contact.sk@jesusyouth.ca or online at: <https://forms.gle/4aMRdmqc1Kqj5qWV6>.

Saskatoon Pro-Life Action Week: Canadian Centre for Bioethical Reform (CCBR) Calgary interns will team up with Saskatoon Against Abortion for local pro-life outreach from **Aug. 4 to 9**, with encouragement and support from Bishop Mark Hagemoen. Dialogue training will be offered Aug. 4 and Aug. 5. Saskatchewan Pro-Life will also be presenting a wrap-up event the evening of Friday, Aug. 8. For more information contact Jeff Owen at jowen@endthekilling.ca.

Reconciling All Things In Christ - All are welcome to two evenings of worship, prayer, and learning presented by the Evangelical Orthodox Church for the sake of unity and reconciliation **Aug. 8-9**, held at Knox United Church, Spadina Cres. E. in Saskatoon. Begins 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8 (with keynote speaker Dr. Gordon T. Smith) and 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9 (with keynote speaker Vesper Stamper).

Volunteer Sacristan needed

Hospital Chaplaincy in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is seeking a volunteer to assist with Mass

4 p.m. Sundays at Saskatoon City Hospital

1-2 times per month according to a three-week rotation; (includes assisting some Roman Catholic patients to Mass). Contact Hospital Chaplaincy coordinator Jackie Saretsky at (306) 292-5531 or email jsaretsky@rcdos.ca.

Jubilee Walking Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be held **Sunday, Aug. 17**, with pilgrims starting from St. Augustine Church in Humboldt (9 a.m.; 23 km) and from St. Bruno Church in Bruno (11:30 a.m.; 12 km), accompanied by prayer, song, and fellowship. Walkers can also walk one kilometre to the site from a local farm and those who cannot walk are invited to drive. Confessions will be held at 4 p.m. at the shrine, with Mass celebrated at 5 p.m. followed by Sacrament of the Sick, testimonials and praise and worship. Bring your own picnic supper. For details contact St. Augustine at (306) 682-2106.

Pursue the Power of Persistent Prayer with St. Monica – An evening of speakers, conversation, prayer and dessert will be held for men and women on **Wednesday, Aug. 27**, the Feast Day of St. Monica, who prayed for many years for the conversion of her son, St. Augustine of Hippo. Every family is affected by loved ones who have fallen away, walked away, or run away from the Church. Gather for fellowship and prayer at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon to hold each other in hope: doors open at 6 p.m., speakers and discussion 6:30 p.m., followed by 8 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration RSVP to brendatryhuba@gmail.com or (306) 260-3612.

St. Philomena Mother-Daughter Retreat Sept. 12-14: 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 any questions to laurencayer@sasktel.net.

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Walking Pilgrimage to Rama starts Aug. 11 in Yorkton SK. and finishes Aug. 14 at the shrine at Rama, SK. This is a guided walking pilgrimage with rest stops, meals, support vehicles, and a trailer carrying tents and sleeping gear to each overnight stop. Mass or Divine Liturgy is celebrated each day and everyone is welcome to join those celebrations as a way to show support for the pilgrimage and the pilgrims! Info: stphilomena.ca or (306) 728-5525.

Bus from Saskatoon/Humboldt to Rama Pilgrimage Aug. 14: cost is \$40 (payable in advance, non-refundable) for the bus which will depart **Thursday, Aug. 14** from two locations in the city: St. Patrick Church, 3339 Centennial Cr. at 10 a.m. and Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Rd. at 10:15 a.m., with a stop in Humboldt to pick up passengers at St. Augustine Church, 809-10th St., at 11:15 a.m. Pilgrimage events start at Rama at 3 p.m. Aug. 14, with praying of the Chaplet, Rosary, and Stations of the Cross; supper at 4:30 pm (bring your own or to purchase supper tickets call pilgrimage organizers by Aug. 1 at 306-593-6120); hymns at 6 p.m., and Mass at 8 p.m. with Archbishop Donald Bolen, followed by a candlelight procession and adoration. The bus departs for home at 11 p.m. Aug. 14. To book a seat, contact Astrid Alas at (306) 659-5858 or amalas@rcdos.ca or Ester Canda at (306) 881-1773.

The 80th Annual Rama Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 104-1st Street North, Rama, SK will be held **Aug. 14-15**. Begins 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, with Mass at 8 p.m. and continues Friday, Aug. 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (including Mass in Polish and English, as well as Divine Liturgy in the Byzantine Rite). See: www.Ramashrine.ca.

St. Laurent Celebrations: Feast of the Assumption **Aug. 15** will be celebrated at the historic Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at St. Laurent, SK, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Grotto with confessions, Rosary, and devotions, with Mass celebrated at 8 p.m. with Bishop Stephen Hero, followed by a candlelight procession to the log church. There will also be a celebration on **Sept. 8** for the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 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.

Volunteers needed to lead the Rosary - Do you have a heart for outreach to those who are seeking the consolation of prayer? The diocesan Restorative Ministry Office is seeking volunteers to come to the Saskatoon Correctional Centre to pray the Rosary with men in prison. Orientation and support will be provided. For more information, please contact diocesan prison ministry coordinator Dianne Anderson at danderson@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5845.

Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

To obtain a Jubilee Indulgence for visiting a designated sacred site, performing works of mercy, and/or undertaking acts of penance, the following conditions must be met: detachment from sin, making a sacramental Confession, receiving Holy Communion, and praying for the intentions of the Holy Father.

Learn more and/or find the list of sacred sites in our diocese at: rcdos.ca/jubilee-2025.

Columbus Bosco Saskatoon's annual "Corn Roast Fundraiser" will be held **Thursday, Sept. 11**, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Farm School, located 20 km from Saskatoon: \$25 each. Contact Lorne at (306) 227-7576 or Chris (306) 221-4686. E-transfer e-mail is cboscotoon@gmail.com.

Hymnals available – St. Mark Parish, Langham, SK, has 58 like-new Catholic Book of Worship III hymnals available to give away. Contact stmarkscatholic423@gmail.com or call (306) 716-1063.

Pews for Sale in Lancer, SK: Solid oak pews \$20,000; in excellent condition (must be viewed to appreciate), featuring curved bench seats, sides and backs; padded kneelers, and storage on the back of seats for missals/hymnals. For inquiries/viewing please contact eam.wagner@gmail.com.

Diocesan Employment Opportunity

Permanent full-time Executive Assistant to the Curia (full-time, permanent position) at the Catholic Centre. Find the job description at rcdos.ca/employment. Submit resume and a brief cover letter to hr@rcdos.ca.

Diocesan Prayer - We pray for grandparents and the elderly; may the joy of the Gospel radiate from them and inspire children, grandchildren, and generations yet to come; we pray for young people; may they be inspired to spend quality time with their grandparents and elders in pursuit of Christ's message of presence and encounter.

World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly July 27

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