



Diocesan Bulletin

Feb. 15, 2026 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Family Day Weekend

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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

DPCC Solidarity Visitor: Padre Dario is a Comboni Missionary and Catholic priest from a Development and Peace-Caritas Canada (DPCC) partner in Brazil (Justica nos Trilhos) who will be visiting Saskatchewan from Feb. 17-23. Join in welcoming Padre Dario Bossi to Saskatoon on **Tuesday, Feb. 17** with a meal at 5:30 p.m., followed by an hour-long presentation by Padre Dario starting at 7 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Holy Family (Bishop Klein Room), 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Padre Dario has worked in Brazil for over 20 years and has accompanied many communities displaced by mining interests. This is also the Share Lent "Workshop" for 2026. For more information contact Michael LeBlanc at mleblanc@devp.org.

Ash Wednesday - Ashes will be distributed at the 11:30 a.m. **Ash Wednesday Feb. 18** Mass at St. Thomas More Chapel, 1437 College Drive, Saskatoon. Check with your local parish for other celebration times for the start of Lent.

Catechist Connection is a one-hour digital gathering designed to build community, share ideas, and foster connections among catechists throughout the diocese. There are two times to choose from: noon to 1 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on **Thursday, Feb. 19**. Contact diocesan Rural Catechetics Coordinator Quin Kleiboer at (306) 659-5857 or qkleiboer@rcdos.ca to join. (Rural Catechetics is supported by gifts to the BAA).

Human Trafficking Awareness – In anticipation of Human Trafficking Awareness Day, marked both locally and provincially each year on Feb. 22, a "Shine the Light – See the Stories not the Statistics" event will be held **Friday, Feb. 20**, initiated by the Catholic Women's League at Saint Anne Parish in Saskatoon. The Human Trafficking Awareness event organized in partnership with the Salvation Army begins at Saskatoon City Hall civic square with a flag raising at 11:15 a.m. Feb. 20, followed by a silent walk to the Parktown Hotel, with lunch there from noon to 1 p.m., followed by a panel discussion 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. All are welcome to attend to bear witness and learn more about this issue in our community. For more information, email: cwlhta@gmail.com.

Rite of Election

3:00 pm Sunday, Feb. 22

Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon

All are welcome to join Bishop Mark Hagemoen for the diocesan celebration of the Rite of Election with those who are preparing to join the Catholic Church in parishes across our diocese. A reception will follow.

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A Diocesan Prayer Vigil for Victims and Survivors of Abuse will be held 7 p.m. **Friday, Feb. 20** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon, with Bishop Mark Hagemoen leading the Stations of the Cross and other prayers, candle lighting, etc.

A Knights of Columbus "In Support of Life" Gala Fundraiser will be held **Saturday, Feb. 28**, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. For tickets contact Merv at (306) 961-2473.

Men's Spiritual Enrichment Weekend – "Walking in the Footsteps of Faith" will be held **March 6 and 7** at St. Vital Catholic Church, 11-18th Street East, Battleford, SK, with guest speaker Bishop Michael Smolinski, CSsR, of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon. Begins Friday, March 6 at 6 p.m. with registration, 7 p.m. Mass, 8:30 p.m. wine and cheese; continues Saturday, March 7 starting at 8:45 a.m., and ending with 5 p.m. Mass. Contact Fr. Bernabe Millan Sajonas at: millansajonas@padiocese.ca.

"Man of Sorrows" diocesan Lenten Retreat will be held 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. **Saturday, March 7**, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon, led by the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary. Registration: <https://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/lentenretreat2026> – cost \$30, includes lunch. (*Adult Faith is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

Diocesan Prayer - Loving God, on this Family Day weekend we lift up all families, placing them in your loving care, and praying that you would bless and inspire every family to be a "domestic church" and a sign of Your love in our world.

Message Board

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Diocesan Office Closed on Family Day – The diocesan Catholic Pastoral Centre in Saskatoon is closed **Family Day, Monday, Feb. 16**. Regular hours resume Feb. 17 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Millions of Monicas: When women gather to pray, hope is renewed. All women are welcome to join in praying for the return of children and family members to the Church. Women meet for one hour of guided prayer, which always includes a Rosary. Next gatherings are at **Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16**, (and on the first Monday of each month after that); at **St. Philip Neri Parish, 1902 Munroe Ave. South, Saskatoon at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17** (third Tuesday of each month); at **Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23** (on the fourth Monday of each month)

DPCC Solidarity Visitor Lunch and Learn will be held at 12 noon, **Thursday, Feb. 19** in STM 120 at St. Thomas More College, 1437 College Drive, Saskatoon, with the Solidarity Visitor from Development and Peace - Caritas Canada, Padre Dario Bossi, discussing solidarity, justice and his work in South America. Please RSVP at <https://bit.ly/SolidarityLunch>.

Returning to Spirit Advancing Reconciliation will be held **Feb. 24 to 27** at the Parktown Hotel in Saskatoon for anyone who has previously taken a Returning to Spirit Roots of Reconciliation workshop at any time or location. Advancing Reconciliation empowers participants to build reconciliation on a community scale. Cost is \$150, which includes lunch/ refreshments each day. For details, contact Myron Rogal at mrogal@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5841. Register: <https://form.jotform.com/260144284920251>.

Call for Nominations - GSCS Board of Education byelection nominations are open Feb. 24 to March 11 for a board member to fill one (1) vacant position as a Saskatoon member-at-large. Catholic school board trustees serve an important role to help maintain the uniqueness of Catholic education and keep Christ as the heart and soul of each of our school communities. Election day is April 15, 2026. Visit www.gscs.ca/elections for information and nomination forms.

Coldest Night of the Year is a fund-raising walk held **Feb. 28** across the country to raise funds and awareness about hunger and homelessness, including in Saskatoon, where some are walking in support of Mustard Seed, a Christian non-profit that cares for those experiencing homelessness. See <https://cnoy.org/location/saskatooneast>.

Confirmation Retreats 2026

The diocesan Office of Evangelization and Catechesis is again partnering with FacetoFace Ministries to present confirmation retreats for youth preparing to receive the sacrament this year, with parishes and parents able to choose from six dates / locations across the diocese.

Cost is \$20, which includes lunch. Please see: rcdos.ca/confirmation-retreats

Catholic Engaged Encounter for couples who are preparing for marriage will be held **March 13-15** at St. Peter's Abbey, Muenster, SK. Register online at: <https://cecanada.ca> (select the Humboldt/Muenster location). The fee is \$510 per couple, which includes accommodations and meals.

Bishop's Dinner 2026 presented by the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation **April 30** will bring together great food, amazing music, and community support for ministries and meaningful causes. Held at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, this year's Bishop's Dinner includes an after-dinner live concert featuring singer-songwriter Sarah Kroger, with ticket options either for the 7 p.m. concert only (\$50) or for the meal and concert together (\$225, with a partial tax receipt; doors open at 4 p.m. with dinner by The Golden Pagoda at 5:15 p.m.). Learn more / get tickets at: <https://dscf.ca/events> (select "Bishop's Dinner 2026").

Are you hurting because of an abortion? Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. The next retreat in Saskatoon will be held **April 24-26**. To register, please contact Elaine at 1-306-480-8911 or email r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net

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