




Diocesan Bulletin

Feb. 22, 2026 - First Sunday of Lent

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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

Rite of Election 2026: All are welcome to join Bishop Mark Hagemoen for the diocesan Rite of Election at 3 p.m. **Sunday, Feb. 22** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd. Saskatoon. A reception will be held after Mass.

Millions of Monicas - Women are invited to join other women in praying for the return of children and family members to the Church. Millions of Monicas features one hour of guided prayer, which always includes a Rosary, held at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon; at 10 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at St. Philip Neri Parish, 1902 Munroe Ave. S. Saskatoon; and at 7 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month (**Feb. 23**) at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon.

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.

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle includes adoration, the rosary, benediction, hymns and various prayers, 7:30 p.m. **Thursday, March 5** at St. Michael Catholic Church, #18-33rd St. E., Saskatoon. Info: call Edna (306) 382-1680.

The World Day of Prayer is an international, ecumenical movement held for the past 90 years. Services this year include: 1 p.m. **Friday, March 6** at St. David's Trinity United Church, 3318 Merritt Street, Saskatoon; 7 p.m. **Friday March 6** at the United Church in Watson, SK.; and at 1 p.m. **Saturday, March 7** at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, 1121 Northumberland Avenue in Saskatoon (hosted by St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Women's League). Watch for other World Day of Prayer celebrations in your area.

A Contemplative Mass with Fr. Kevin McGee will be held Isaia 5 p.m. **Friday, March 6** at St. Mary 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.



"Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening"

Spring Congress Circuit

March 11 at Holy Spirit, SASKATOON

April 18 at Sacred Heart, WATSON

April 25 at St. Joseph, KINDERSLEY

Congress Day is an opportunity for clergy and all the faithful to find renewed ways to come together to pray, learn, and listen to the Holy Spirit and one another. This year at each of the three locations, diocesan ministry coordinators from the Catholic Pastoral Centre will present topics through the lens and practice of synodality. Cost is \$25/day.

Spring Congress is open to all those interested!

Registration: rcdos.ca/spring-congress-2026

"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, inspired by Isaiah 53:3: the retreat will explore the depths of the Saviour's sorrow and the power of redemption. Registration: <https://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/lentenretreat2026> – cost \$30, includes lunch. (Adult Faith is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)-

Easter Tea and Bake Sale will be held from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. **Saturday, March 7** at St. Mary Parish, Avenue O and 20th Street, Saskatoon, featuring a snack lunch, along with baking, raffles, and door prizes. Admission is \$3.

Message Board

The Catholic Pastoral Centre will be closed for a staff retreat day on **Thursday, Feb. 26**. Regular hours resume Feb. 27: weekdays 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the diocesan centre located on the second floor of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd. Saskatoon.

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.

“On Track for Justice” - Development and Peace-Caritas Canada (DPCC): Lent is a time of fasting, prayer and sharing. It is also an opportunity to be in solidarity with those in the Global South. The 2026 Share Lent campaign, “On Track for Justice” is underway. Walk hand-in-hand with communities working for justice, peace and dignity. How? Donate online at <https://devp.org/en/make-a-donation/> or during the Solidarity Sunday collection March 22, the fifth Sunday of Lent to help support over 59 projects in 34 countries around the world. Find Share Lent resources at devp.org/lent/resources.

From Mourning to Dawn is an eight-week diocesan grief support program for widows and widowers, led by those who have also experienced this loss. It is open to participants who have been widows/widowers from between two months to two years. It will again be offered in Saskatoon at the end of March/beginning of April with one session held at the Catholic Pastoral Centre at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, and the second at St. Anne Parish, Saskatoon. (Day and time of the sessions will be arranged jointly by facilitators and participants.) Cost: \$35. To register or for more information, please contact Dianna Knaus at dknaus@sasktel.net or (306) 382-0535.

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.



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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:

- Sat. Feb. 28 at St. Peter Parish, **Unity**
- Sun. March 1 at Holy Family Cathedral, **Saskatoon**
- Sat. March 14 at St. Augustine Parish, **Humboldt**
- Sun. March 15 at St. Anne Parish, **Saskatoon**
- Sat. March 21 at Holy Spirit Parish, **Saskatoon**
- Sun. March 22 at St. Joseph Parish, **Kindersley**

Cost is \$20 each. All retreats are 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

For more details and online registration see:

rcdos.ca/confirmation-retreats

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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”).

Diocesan Prayer -We pray as a diocesan family for all those preparing for reception of sacraments at Easter. May God bless all those across our diocese beginning this Lenten “season of purification and enlightenment.”

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