




# Diocesan Bulletin

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May 3, 2026 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

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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

**ANCHOR chronic illness prayer group presents “The Four Pillars of Contemplative Prayer”** to be held at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Thursday, May 7**, with Fr. Gerard Cooper speaking on the benefits of contemplative prayer as a means of coping and living with a chronic illness diagnosis. Registration is required. Social distancing will be respected. To register, contact Dietta Todos at [durr2todos@gmail.com](mailto:durr2todos@gmail.com).

**Provincial March for Life Thursday May 7** will start with Mass at 9 a.m. at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Regina followed by the Rosary for Life. After the Rosary there will be an ecumenical prayer service, followed by the dedication at the Monument to the Pre-born. At 12:15 p.m. pilgrims will begin the march to the Legislative Building and the program at the Legislature begins at 1:15 p.m. Transportation is available for those unable to walk the two-kilometre distance. A car pool from Saskatoon is available for those who need a ride to Regina for this pro-life event: call Louis at: (306) 249-2764 for details. For more information about the March for Life, e-mail: [info@saskprolife.com](mailto:info@saskprolife.com) or see the website at [www.saskprolife.com](http://www.saskprolife.com).

**Annual diocesan Our Lady of Fatima Feast** will be held 1 p.m. **Saturday, May 9** at St. Mary Catholic Church, 211 Avenue O South, Saskatoon. Begins with Mass presided by Fr. Kevin McGee followed by traditional outdoor procession with the statue of Our Lady of Fatima, as participants pray the rosary and sing together. A potluck gathering will follow the procession, and all are encouraged to bring food to share. Participants are also invited to come dressed in cultural clothing and to bring flags for the procession. Anyone interested in volunteering or providing entertainment for the potluck gathering is invited to e-mail [jnunes@rcdos.ca](mailto:jnunes@rcdos.ca). All CWL councils, Knights of Columbus councils, and parishes across the diocese are asked to send representatives to the Our Lady of Fatima celebration, and bring their banners for the procession. Councils and parishes are asked to confirm attendance by e-mailing Jennifer Nunes [jnunes@rcdos.ca](mailto:jnunes@rcdos.ca). (Clergy are also invited to concelebrate Holy Eucharist with Fr. McGee.)

## Feminine Genius 4

### Women's Breakfast

*“Listening as Spiritual Hospitality”*

**8:30 am Wednesday, May 13**

**Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon**

Speaker Sr. Malou Tibayan of the Verbum Dei Missionary Fraternity will reflect on the gifts and contributions of women to the Church, society, and the world, with a focus on “Listening as Spiritual Hospitality.”

**Registration is required for this women-only event:**

[form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/femininegenius2026](http://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/femininegenius2026)

or call (306) 659-5843 for information. There will be an opportunity to make a free-will offering.

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**An Annual Pro-Life Mother's Day Walk** will be held on **Sunday May 10**, along College Drive from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. between Hospital Drive and Wiggins Avenue. Signs are provided. This is a family friendly event, with free snacks and refreshments also available. For more information, call Louis at (306) 249-2764.

**MAiD Expansion for Mental Illness:** Join a province-wide conversation on Canada's assisted death system and the proposed expansion to permit medically-provided death (“MAiD”) for mental illness alone. Guest speaker is Larry Worthen, Executive Director of the Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada, one of Canada's leading voices on healthcare ethics, and conscience rights. The tour begins at 7 p.m. **Monday, May 11** at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon, followed by five other stops across Saskatchewan. Learn how medically-provided death is evolving in Canada, with real stories from healthcare settings; explore the ethical, medical, and social questions this raises; and consider how we support those who are suffering and seeking hope. Free to attend. All are welcome. See the website at: <https://hopedoesnotexpire.ca/tour>. for information, and optional registration. Tour also includes Prince Albert May 12; Yorkton May 13; Weyburn May 14; Moose Jaw May 15; and Regina May 16 (the 1 p.m. May 16 event will also be live-streamed; register to receive the link.)

## Message Board

**Anniversary of Priestly Ordination** - St. Paul Co-Cathedral will host a 40th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration for Fr. Stefano Penna and Fr. Les Paquin on **Saturday, May 9**. There will be a celebratory Mass at 5 p.m., followed by a catered roast beef dinner and celebration in the Bishop Mahoney hall at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cr. E. Saskatoon. Tickets \$30 each or \$100 per family, and children under 5 free. For tickets, call the parish at (306) 652-0033. (If you have photos of Fr. Stefano and Fr. Les send to [kylesiemens6@gmail.com](mailto:kylesiemens6@gmail.com).)

**Pancake Breakfast at St. Mary Parish Hall**, 211 Avenue O South, Saskatoon will be held 11 a.m. **Sunday, May 10** (Mother's Day), after the 10 a.m. Mass.

**A Multicultural Gospel Music Concert** will be held at 7 p.m. **Friday, May 22** at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon; \$10/adult; \$5/youth 6-17 years; free/5 years and under. For more information, please e-mail Lynn Eremondi at [leremondi@rcdos.ca](mailto:leremondi@rcdos.ca).

**Diocese of Saskatoon Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF) Partnership Appreciation** – Learn about the impact of the IRF at 3 p.m. **Friday, May 22** in the gathering space at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd., Saskatoon. Everyone is welcome; refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Myron Rogal at (306) 659-5841 or [mrogal@rcdos.ca](mailto:mrogal@rcdos.ca). (*The diocesan Office of Justice and Peace is supported by the BAA.*)

**Pro-life petition** – The advocacy group “RightNow” has launched a petition calling for legislation to protect pre-born children by restricting late-term abortions after 20 weeks (five months) of pregnancy; find the petition online at: [www.itstartsrightnow.ca/undercover](http://www.itstartsrightnow.ca/undercover).

**Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph Parish Hall**, corner of Broadway Avenue and 8th Street East in Saskatoon will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. **Sunday, May 24** hosted by the San Lorenzo Ruiz Knights of Columbus Council; adult/\$10; children 5-15 years/\$5; family/\$35.

### Employment Opportunities

• **The Ukrainian Catholic Foundation is seeking a dynamic, mission-driven Executive Director** to provide leadership and operational oversight in support of the Eparchy of Saskatoon's mission. For information, call Bob Friesen, Chair, Board of Directors at (639) 318-8250 or Executive Director Morris Smysnuik at (306) 280-8514. See: <https://ucfsask.org/employment-opportunities/>.

• **FacetoFace Ministries is seeking Event Facilitators** (2 for Saskatoon and 1 for Calgary: male applicants only). See: <https://facetofaceministries.ca/employment>. E-mail resumé to Adelaide Quickfall at [adelaide.quickfall@f2f.ca](mailto:adelaide.quickfall@f2f.ca).



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### St. Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit Tour

Join the diocesan Rural Catechesis Office and parishes across our diocese for an evening learning about St. Carlo, the first Millennial Saint, and his love of the Eucharist. Displays feature some of his work documenting Eucharistic miracles on a website that he created before he died in 2006 at the age of 15 years. Dates and locations are:

- **May 6: Martensville** - Immaculate Heart of Mary at 7 p.m.
- **May 8: Wynyard** - St. Mary Parish - *time to be determined*

Watch for details at each parish or contact Quin Kleiboer at the Catholic Pastoral Centre: [qkleiboer@rcdos.ca](mailto:qkleiboer@rcdos.ca) or (306) 659-5857. (*Rural Catechesis is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal*)

**“This is the house that Jack built”**: A Nursery Rhyme Metaphysic – All are welcome to Rebuilding Catholic Culture's 9th Annual Dessert Night and Talk 7 p.m. **Saturday, May 23** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1224 12th Street E., Saskatoon (doors open 6:30 p.m.). Dr. Celene Sidloski will reflect on how a simple nursery rhyme can orient both child and adult toward a Christian vision—one in which man's proper participation in the order of creation makes possible an assent to the goodness of being and of the truth of all things. Followed by dessert, cheesecake and brownie bar. RSVP to Celene Sidloski at (306) 715-1541 or [csidloski@stmcollege.ca](mailto:csidloski@stmcollege.ca).

**“Breakthrough Healing” Workshop** will be presented by Patrick and Joy Campbell, founders of the Cross of St Benedict Society and Joyful Hope Ministries **May 28 to May 30** at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 222 Willow St., Saskatoon. Cost is \$50/adult (18+) or \$100/family with children 17 and under. To register or for more information, contact Debbie or Kevin Kowalski at (306) 978-3013.

**Diocesan Prayer** - We pray as a diocesan family that leaders of nations will work toward lasting peace and right relationship, and that all those in war-torn areas of the world – especially children and the most vulnerable – will find help and protection.

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