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The community gathered around the baptismal font at the Cathedral of the Holy Family for the baptism of three babies Feb. 12, one of many celebrations held in the new building in recent weeks. Upcoming diocesan celebrations include the Rite of Election Feb. 26, the Chrism Mass April 2 and a week of events May 6-13 in conjunction with the blessing and dedication of the new cathedral. - Photo by Tim Yaworski

Settling into a new diocesan home

By Kiply Lukan Yaworski

The Cathedral of the Holy Family has seen much activity in recent weeks, as parish and diocesan offices moved into new quarters, and numerous celebrations, meetings and tours have taken place since the doors of the new diocesan home opened Dec. 18.

The new building was the site for packed parish celebrations over the Christmas season; as well as a diocesan event Jan. 1 with special guest Archbishop Albert LeGatt. A Diocesan Pastoral Council meeting was also held at the new cathedral Jan. 10.

Ecumenical guests were welcomed to the

new cathedral for the closing celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Jan. 29; a diocesan Pastoral Care Appreciation evening was held Feb. 10, featuring tours of the building; and a Congress Day for three deaneries was booked Feb. 25.

With the arrival of Lent, key diocesan celebrations – the Rite of Election 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 26 and the Chrism Mass 7 p.m. Monday, April 2 – are on the horizon, and plans are underway for a week of events May 6-13 to mark the official opening and blessing of the cathedral.

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Gala Opening Week

for our new diocesan home

The Cathedral of the Holy Family

May 6-13, 2012

Sunday, May 6

- Mass at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral 10 a.m.
- Chrism Oil Procession from St. Paul's to the Cathedral of the Holy Family

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6 Volunteers needed to assist at rest stations: call Cathy at 242-2721. Map of route and more details on the diocesan website: saskatoonrcdiocese.com

 Family Carnival outdoors at the Cathedral of the Holy Family

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6 Games, balloons, activities, and entertainment. Tours will be available.

Monday, May 7

• Whispers of God and Taize Prayer

7 to 9 p.m. Monday, May 7

An evening of peace, tranquility and dialogue with God, through prayer and music, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, followed by refreshments.

Tuesday, May 8

• Cathedral On Tap: "Build My Church"

7 p.m. Tuesday, May 8 A time for adults to explore faith in a casual setting, with discussion inspired by guest speakers. Held in Bishop LeGatt Hall, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family. Cash bar.

Wednesday, May 9

• Taste of the Diocese and MusicFest 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 9 Enjoy musical entertainment and ethnic foods from across the diocese. Held in Bishop LeGatt Hall at the Cathedral of the Holy Family. Tours available. Cash bar.

Thursday, May 10

Father David and Friends

7 p.m. Thursday, May 10 A musical celebration for all ages featuring composer Bob Hurd and others performing in the Bishop LeGatt Hall at the Cathedral of the Holy Family. Freewill offering. Cash bar.

Friday, May 11

• Bishop's Dinner

6 p.m. Friday, May 11 at TCU Place The Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon Foundation presents the sixth annual Bishop's Dinner, an elegant evening of dining and entertainment at Teachers' Credit Union Place. Tickets \$350, partial tax receipt. Call Chelsey: 659-5851.

CCO Summit - A Youth Prayer Event

7:30 p.m. Friday, May 11

Catholic Christian Outreach's monthly youth event will be held at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, with Eucharistic Adoration, praise and worship music. An evening of prayer that is open to all ages.

Saturday, May 12

• "Clothed with Christ" - An Ecumenical Celebration of Christian Discipleship

7 p.m. Saturday, May 12

An ecumenical prayer service at the Cathedral of the Holy Family. All are welcome.

Sunday, May 13

Mass of Blessing 2:30 p.m.

Our diocesan family gathers for the formal blessing of the Cathedral of the Holy Family. Watch for details about free tickets for this historic celebration.

Diocesan church will gather at new cathedral for Chrism Mass April 2

By Kiply Lukan Yaworski

The transition to a new diocesan home was marked during celebrations Dec. 31 at St. Paul's Cathedral and Jan. 1 at Holy Family Cathedral in Saskatoon.

Former Saskatoon bishop Archbishop Albert LeGatt of St. Boniface, and Saskatoon Bishop Donald Bolen expressed gratitude for St. Paul Cathedral's historic contribution, both as the first church in Saskatoon, and as the first cathedral, designated when the diocese of Saskatoon was created in 1933 at the height of the Great Depression.

On New Year's Day 2012, the new Cathedral of the Holy Family was declared to be the cathedral for the diocese of Saskatoon. It was also announced that the cathedral hall would be known as "Bishop LeGatt Hall."

LeGatt, who launched the construction project during his time in Saskatoon, said it was a powerful moment to walk into the building and see how the planning that he participated in at the beginning of the construction process has materialized into a beautiful space of gathering. "I was struck by how this

has all come about through the work and the generosity of so many people, in fundraising, organizing, and building."

Cathedral rector and liturgy commission director Fr. David Tumback noted the generous hospitality of St. Patrick and Holy Spirit parishes over many years, in hosting diocesan events such as the Chrism Mass and ordinations, when St. Paul's Cathedral could no longer accommodate the growing diocesan family. Two trees, commemorating these contributions by St. Patrick and Holy Spirit parishes, will



Bishop Bryan Bayda, Archbishop Albert LeGatt, Bishop Don Bolen, Bishop Murray Chatlain and Fr. David Tumback (*I-r*) at the Jan. 1 celebration marking the transition to the new cathedral.

be planted on the grounds of the new cathedral this spring, he said.

The annual diocesan Chrism Mass, will be held in a cathedral setting for the first time in many years, 7 p.m. Monday, April 2.

The Chrism Mass is a joyful celebration of diocesan unity as the bishop blesses the sacred oils that are taken back to each parish, Tumback noted. "It is a moving and beautiful celebration," he said. The recommitment to priestly service by all the ordained is another powerful moment of the celebration. All are welcome to attend the diocesan Chrism Mass, he said.

Plans are also underway for the Mass of Blessing for the Cathedral of the Holy Family, which will take place on Mother's Day, 2:30 p.m. **Sunday, May 13**. The blessing will be preceded by a week of events celebrating the occasion in a variety of ways (*see list Page 2*).

"The Gala committee is planning a week filled with exciting opportunities for our diocese to gather and celebrate the blessing of our new cathedral home," said Gala committee chair Pat Clarke.

"We have events ranging from a funfilled carnival for families to quiet prayerful times in the new cathedral. These events will showcase the rich diversity of our diocese ... there is a little something for everyone in the course of the week, and we hope to see our diocesan family in attendance."



Students make rosaries for prison ministry

Dianne Anderson of the diocesan Restorative Ministry office (standing at right) recently visited a Grade 8 classroom at Mother Teresa Catholic elementary school in Saskatoon, where she was presented with dozens of rosaries for prison outreach. Students in Grades 7 and 8 made the rosaries as part of a school-wide retreat led by Jon Courchene and Masson Normand of FacetoFace Ministries. During her visit to the school, Anderson told students about her ministry at the Saskatchewan Correctional Centre, which includes healing circles, Returning to Spirit programs, prayer, and a weekly rosary group. Rosaries made by children have special meaning for prisoners who are separated from their own families, Anderson said. The Restorative Ministry office is in great need of more volunteers to assist with Catholic prison ministry. Anyone interested in helping as a Restorative Ministry volunteer is asked to call Dianne Anderson at (306) 659-5845.

Diocesan Youth Trip to Table Mountain Grades 8 to 12 - Saturday March 10

Youth will meet at St. Michael's parish in Saskatoon at 10:30 a.m. March 10 and will spend a half day on the hill from 1 to 4 p.m., returning home by about 7 p.m. There will be a stop in North Battleford to permit participants to purchase supper. There is a \$5 per person fee to help cover the cost of gas, and participants are also responsible for paying their way into the facility and for rentals required. Youth cannot bring their own skis or snowboards.

Youth cannot bring their own skis or snowboards. due to lack of space (ski or snowboard boots are allowed).

Rental prices for a half day can be found online at: www.tablemountainregionalpark.com/Rentals.htm

Registration deadline is midnight, March 4, 2012.

Call Matthew Courchene at 382-5503, Colm Leyne at 242-1500 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005 or see your parish youth minster for more details. Youth must submit a signed permission form.

Contact stpministry@gmail.com to have a copy of the form e-mailed or pick it up from your parish youth minister.



Pure Fashion meets Rider Pride

Participants in the Pure Fashion faith-based program for teenage girls will present a spring fashion show 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 29 at St. Joseph high school theatre in Saskatoon. Guest speaker is Weston Dressler of the Saskatchewan Roughriders. Adults: \$20; elementary and high school students: \$10; for tickets e-mail: stynan@sasktel.net

Nashi presents
YOUTH UNCHAINED
A Saskatchewan Youth Forum
on Human Trafficking
May 3 - 4, 2012

Keynote speaker at Nashi's Saskatoon Youth Forum on Human Trafficking is **Craig Kielburger**, internationally known for encouraging and motivating youth to be a voice for change. The youngest recipient of the Order of Canada, he founded "Free the Children" at age 12, and later helped start "Me to We."

SCHEDULE: Thursday, May 3 morning session with Craig Kielburger, followed by noon barbecue with live music, art, fair trade bazars and displays. (Students \$10 talk only, \$15 with lunch. Adults: \$15 talk only, \$25 with lunch.) Friday, May 4 evening - films and videos on human trafficking, live music. For more details, please contact (306) 653-4646 or see the website at: www.youthunchained.org or e-mail info@youthunchained.org

Momentum Youth Rally: Grades 6-8 Saturday, April 28, 2012

Location: Cathedral of the Holy Family; Cost: \$40 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Registration opens at 9 a.m.

Register online at www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com starting Thursday, March 1.

High School students able to apply as student leaders. E-mail: youthmin@saskatoonrcdiocese.com

Highlights: Praise and Worship, Great Keynote Talks, Mass with Bishop Donald Bolen Skits, Epic Games, Food and tons of FUN! All Gr. 6-8 youth are welcome! **Keynote Speaker:** Greg Thompson, visit: gtministry.com to get to know Greg.



For more information about Steps in Faith for Grades 6 - 8
check with your local parish
or contact the Youth Ministry Office
at the Catholic Pastoral Centre in Saskatoon:
(306) 659-5843 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005, Ext. 843.
Youth Ministry is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal

Diocesan Congress held in three locations

Bishop Donald Bolen, staff from the Catholic Pastoral Centre, and diocesan leaders will gather with deanery representatives, parish pastoral council representatives, and parishioners from across the diocese for a Congress Day held this year in three centres.

Congress Day with the bishop was held **Feb. 25 in Saskatoon** for those in the Saskatoon City, Saskatoon Rural and Outlook deaneries.

Those from parishes in the Humboldt and Wadena deaneries are invited to gather for Congress at St. Augustine parish in Humboldt 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 10 (register for the free event by March 3 by calling 306-682-2106.)

Eatonia and Kerrobert deaneries will gather for Congress at St. Joseph parish in Kindersley 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 24 (register for the free event by March 17 by calling 306-463-4520.)

A day of prayer, discussion and information, Congress was at one time offered only to parish leadership over two or three days in Saskatoon. In recent years, the format of the Congress has changed with a day also offered more broadly to all those



Preparing for Truth and Reconciliation event

A diocesan committee was recently created to coordinate awareness and diocesan participation in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) process that is underway in Saskatchewan, and which will culminate with a national TRC event June 21-24 at Prairieland Park in Saskatoon. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) was established in Canada as part of a 2007 national Indian Residential Schools Agreement to provide an opportunity for those affected by the legacy of the government and church-run schools to share their stories and experiences, and to raise awareness about the schools which for generations removed children from their families, communities and culture. Members of the diocesan committee include: (standing, I-r) St. Joseph pastor Fr. Nestor Gregoire, OMI; Our Lady of Guadalupe priest moderator Fr. Mick Fleming, CSsR; co-director of diocesan Pastoral Services Blake Sittler; Our Lady of Guadalupe elder Gayle Weenie; as well as (sitting, I-r) former Lay Formation coordinator Kathy Hitchings; Justice and Peace Commission chair Carol Zubiak; and executive director for the Office of Treaty Commissioner Harry Lafond. (Missing from the photo is Parish Life Director Mary Jacobi of Our Lady of Guadalupe parish.) For more info on the TRC and the ongoing impact of residential schools see: www.trc.ca

interested in attending – while also taking the event beyond Saskatoon to make it easier for parishioners from every area of the diocese to attend.

This year's Congress includes an experience of Small Christian Community faith sharing as an introduction to the upcoming Year of Faith; a focus on marriage trends and issues in the diocese; a report about the 2011 Bishop's Annual Appeal (which raised \$1.42 million); and information about residential schools in Canada, and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission national event in Saskatoon from June 21-24. The Congress day ends with celebration of the Eucharist with Bishop Don Bolen. - *KLY*

The diocesan Resource Library has opened its doors in a bright and spacious new location on the second floor of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road,

Saskatoon (access the building from Attridge Drive at Forestry Farm Park Drive, or from Nelson Road, just north of St. Joseph High School).

Hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday. For more info contact Norlayne Scott-Gaare at 659-5853 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005, Ext. 853 or e-mail: library@saskatoonrcdiocese.com Check the library catalogue online at www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com

The Resource Library is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

Volunteer coordinates justice and peace office

Carol Zubiak of St. Patrick parish has expanded her long-time involvement in justice issues to take on coordination of the diocesan office of Justice and Peace on a volunteer basis, taking over from Tony Haynes, who stepped down last year because of health issues.

Zubiak chairs the diocesan Justice and Peace Commission, whose members bring a wide range of



Aboriginal Lay Formation

Vivian Whitehawk coordinates the Aboriginal Catholic stream of the diocese of Saskatoon's Lay Formation program. She is busy connecting with parishes and communities in the dioceses of Saskatoon, Prince Albert and Keewatin-Le Pas to get the word out about the tridiocesan program, in which participants explore their Catholic faith in the context of Aboriginal culture and traditions. Applications are now being accepted for September 2012. Held in Saskatoon one weekend a month from September to June over two years, Lay Formation offers learning, prayer and Christian community through three streams: Aboriginal, Diocesan and Eparchial. For information on Lay Formation call 242-1500 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005.

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experience and involvements to the discussion and planning of justice initiatives. "We continue to discuss how the diocese and our parish communities can grow in awareness and understanding of issues, and how we can support what people are already doing," she says.

Planning is again underway for the annual justice and peace Way of the Cross on Good Friday. Beginning at the courthouse on Spadina Crescent 10 a.m. April 6, the ecumenical event focuses on suffering and injustice in our world in the context of prayer and reflections on Christ's passion. There will be a few changes to this year's route through the streets of Saskatoon, notes Zubiak.

She is also actively involved in the diocesan committee that has been

established by Bishop Donald Bolen to discuss involvement in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) national event to be held June 21-24 at Prairieland Park in Saskatoon.

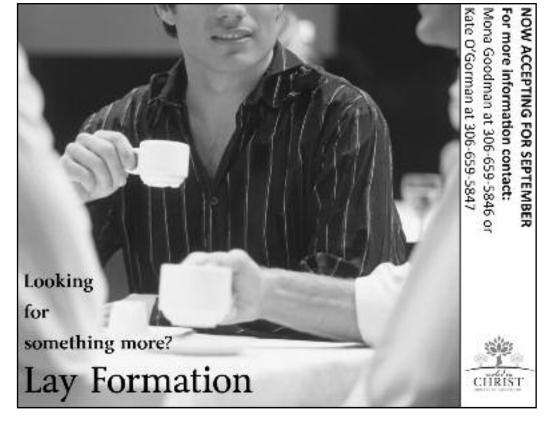
The TRC is travelling across the country, gathering the stories of those who have been affected by the Indian Residential School system either directly or indirectly. The TRC goal is to facilitate healing, reconciliation and understanding. Christian churches are among those invited to participate. This will include providing practical help with the logistics involved in staging the large gathering, as well as standing in solidarity with those on a journey of healing, Zubiak says. All Canadians are called to be involved in the TRC process, to listen, to grow in awareness, and find



Carol Zubiak ways to move forward together, she notes.

"And beyond this single event, we are also being invited to think about what reconciliation is, what it really means to build bridges of understanding, and how we are called as people of faith to respond to our sisters and brothers who are suffering."

Carol Zubiak is available through the Catholic Pastoral Centre. To reach her, leave a message at (306) 659-5815 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005. - KLY



New diocesan Office of Migration will provide support for refugee sponsorship, welcoming newcomers

By Kiply Lukan Yaworski

Years of volunteer work assisting with the diocese of Saskatoon's refugee sponsorship agreement has now been formalized as a diocesan office.

Long-time volunteer Ellen Erickson recently began working part time from an office established at the Catholic Pastoral Centre at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, marking the official creation of a new Office of Migration.

For many years Erickson worked alongside the late Father Paul Donlevy to answer the urgent needs of refugees in peril: people displaced and often in danger, struggling to get to safety and freedom.

"I'm going to be doing the same thing here that I've done in the past, but I'm now going to have this support – tech support, clerical support, communications," she said of the creation of the office at the Catholic Centre. "I have always been very connected with refugees, and with refugee advocacy groups in Saskatoon, but as a volunteer I did not have the visibility and the connections with parishes and the diocese that I

will now have."

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is a government-recognized Sponsorship Agreement Holder. "This agreement has been in place for over 30 years," she said. "It was Fr. Paul who first got the diocese into this agreement, in order to sponsor Vietnamese boat people."

Refugeess -- people who have fled their own country because of a threat or danger of some kind – may face a long and arduous process before they are settled. Often there are forms, procedures and "red tape" that Erickson will help navigate.

"People should know that I have a waiting list of Saskatoon residents who want help sponsoring friends and relatives who are refugees in asylum countries around the world," she said. "I have a list and I am looking to link each one of these cases to a constituent group."

A constituent group could be a parish, a school, a religious order, or any group that comes together to help, Erickson explained. The constituent group is asked to "walk the walk" with the family as they go through the process. "Basically we are asking you to be this person's best friend when they get here; maybe use networks to help find a job, help them make connections."

Other types of refugee sponsorship include Joint Assisted Sponsorship in which the federal government pays the full cost of the sponsorship, but the constituent groups provide settlement services. Often this involves special needs facing a refugee family. For instance,



Ellen Erickson

one case she is working on involves a young couple, both of whom are deaf; another concerns a family with two children who are developmentally delayed.

Full sponsorship is another option, in which the constituent group takes full responsibility for financial and settlement services. Erickson can provide help navigating through the process and the paperwork.

Another important element of Migration Ministry is advocacy, and raising grassroots awareness of the dire need faced by refugees, who are not criminals or terrorists, but people in extreme situations of fear and danger, said Erickson, describing an increasing climate of suspicion and xenophobia.

The vision for the new office is that eventually it would deal with all migration issues, Erickson said. "It would be about welcoming people into our community, people who are new to our country, whether they are here on a permanent basis or a temporary basis; refugees, immigrants, students." - KLY

Erickson can be reached at the Catholic Pastoral Centre at 659-5842; or by e-mail: migration@ saskatoonrcdiocese.com



Diocesan financial office staff

Financial Administrator Michele Wright (left) recently welcomed Kevin Bentler of Our Lady of Lourdes parish and Denesta Lambert of St. Mary's parish to the diocesan financial office. The two new accountants are among staff working at the Catholic Pastoral Centre on the second floor of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, serving 98 parishes across the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon.

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Pre-registration with the contact person is required.

Course	Parish	Dates	Contact	Speaker
Holy Yoga (weekly until March 24) Holy Yoga is an experiential time of worship created to deepen one's connection to Christ. The introductory workshop will help us to understand how we can use our "minds, bodies, and spirits" to de-stress and become more receptive to God in our lives. We will use our breath, and some primary yoga postures to calm our minds, calm our spirits and relax our bodies. The goal is to facilitate a Christ-honouring experience that offers an opportunity for participants to authentically connect to God through his word, worship and wellness.	Holy Family 123 Nelson Road at Attridge Drive Saskatoon	Saturdays until March 24	Diane Waldbillig 668-1085	Diane Waldbillig
Breaking Down Dividing Walls: What does Christian Unity look like? (2) An exploration of foundational principles of Catholic commitment to ecumenism. Drawing from papal and conciliar sources as well as a number of contemporary ecumenical projects, this course will explore the vision of unity that provides the basis for all Catholic participation in the promotion of the ecumenical movement. Discussion of practical issues and proposals for church unity	Our Lady of Lourdes 1235-12th St. E. at Wiggins Ave. Saskatoon	7:30 p.m. Tuesdays March 6 & March 13	Sr. Juliana Heisler 343-0289	Nicholas Jesson
The Theology of Johnny Cash (1) Visiting different aspects of Catholic theology using the lyrics of Johnny Cash.	St. Anne 217 Lenore Drive Saskatoon	7 p.m. Monday Feb. 27	Sr. Dianne Sehn, OSU 931-4700	Blake Sittler
Holy Yoga (weekly until April 4) Holy Yoga is an experiential time of worship created to deepen one's connection to Christ. The introductory workshop will help us to understand how we can use our "minds, bodies, and spirits" to de-stress and become more receptive to God in our lives. We will use our breath, and some primary yoga postures to calm our minds, calm our spirits and relax our bodies. The goal is to facilitate a Christ-honouring experience that offers an opportunity for participants to authentically connect to God through his word, worship and wellness.	St. Anne 217 Lenore Drive Saskatoon	7:15 p.m. Mondays until April 4	Shirley Berthelet 978-7242	Shirley Berthelet
The Dignity of Creation; a Call to Wonder, Compassion and Healing (1) The new universe story emerging from scientists and theologians reveals a creative and intelligent universe, glistening with divine elegance. Like Francis of Assisi, we will reflect on our oneness with all creation, and our place in this community of life. This session examines the call to a new form of human presence and comprehensive compassion before all – for all is sacred.	St. Francis Xavier 222 Willow Street at Melrose Ave. Saskatoon	7 p.m. Thursday March 1	Irene LeGatt 933-1108	Sr. Judy Schachtel, SMS

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The Prophets (2) The prophets in scripture "comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable." This workshop will prayerfully examine the prophetic dimension in the Word with an emphasis on the prophets Amos and on Jesus as a prophet. Themes discussed will be the justice of God, the challenge to contemporary thought and the connection between the prophets of Hebrew scripture and Jesus' prophetic ministry.	St. Francis Xavier 222 Willow Street at Melrose Ave. Saskatoon	7 p.m. Tuesdays, March 13 & March 20	Irene LeGatt 933-1108	Gisele Bauche			
You are God's Beloved (1)	St. John Bosco	7 p.m.	Mona Fox	Mona			
Did you know that you are God's beloved? Using Henri Nouwen's book <i>Life of the Beloved</i> and various scripture passages, we will experience God's love for us, ground ourselves in God's love, and know that we are God's beloved.	1202 Ave O S. Saskatoon	Wednesday March 7	652-1045	Goodman			
La thérapie Crânio-Sacrée (1) :	Sts. Martyrs-	7 p.m.	Sr. Dolores	Helene			
Cette présentation offre un survol sur la thérapie Crânio-Sacrée, qui par sa palpation douce, optimalise le fonctionnement du système crânio-sacrée et ainsi du système nerveux. Venez découvrir comment cette thérapie peut soigner des problèmes qui affectent l'apprentissage et le comportement. En mettant l'accent sur les bénéfices que la thérapie CS peut apporter aux jeunes et aux adultes, cette présentation offre un témoignage et une démonstration ainsi que des techniques ShareCare, des moyens de renforcer le mécanisme corporel d'autorégulation.	Canadiens 1007 rue Windsor Saskatoon	Tuesday March 6	Bussiere 664-2957	Grimard			
Spirituality and Social Justice (1)	Sts. Martyrs-	7 p.m.	Marie Jean	Gertrude			
How do we develop a balanced spirituality that includes a commitment to justice? How do we create a balanced activism that remains gospel-centred? This session explores these questions and how we can develop a "faith that does justice." (Presented in French).	Canadiens 1007 rue Windsor Saskatoon	Tuesday March 13	Will 933-0580	Rompré			
The Theology of Elvis Presley:	Our Lady of	7 p.m.	Mary Jacobi	Blake Sittler			
Visiting different aspects of Catholic theology using the music of Elvis Presley.	Guadalupe 426 Ave J S. Saskatoon	Thursday March 1	653-4945				
Gladden My Heart, O Lord (1))	Columbian	2 p.m.	Sophie	Sr. Teresita			
A common characteristic of our senior years is that of feeling vague guilt for things done or not done in one's earlier life. This session will explore ways to deal with these normal regrets and to experience "gladness of heart" (Psalm 86:4).	Manor, 2940 Louise St. Saskatoon	Wednesday March 14	Lachapelle 373-8160	Kambeitz, OSU			

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Exodus for the Modern World: Today's Tabernacles and Golden Calves (1) The story of Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt is as mysterious as it is compelling. What do signs and plagues, stone tablets, instructions for building a tabernacle, and worshiping a golden calf have to do with our life today? In this exploration of Exodus, questions will be answered, and the ultimate meanings behind the Exodus stories and teachings will be applied to the modern world in a relevant way.	Sacred Heart Eston	10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 10	Angeline Fleischfresser 962-4382	Wade St. Onge
A Funny Thing Happened on My Way Through the Bible (1) A search for the use of humour in the Old and New Testament and a discussion about the importance of making the Word relevant to people today.	Christ the King Foam Lake	7 p.m. Thursday March 29	Candace Ruetz 272-4734	Blake Sittler
Marriage and the Gift of Hospitality (1) Christian hospitality is a gentle prophetic reminder of Christ's desire to build community. Madeline and Peter will reflect on the gift of hospitality as a central element of the vocation of marriage.	Immaculate Heart of Mary Outlook	7:30 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 14	Bill Paslawski 846-2161	Madeline and Peter Oliver
Eucharist: Celebrating Christ Present (1) Our understanding and personal spiritual growth by experiencing the Eucharist can be enhanced by meditating on three foundational events: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The video and guide offer story and music meditation with messages presented by Fr. Tom Richstatter. These experiences of the Triduum feasts balance, enrich and invite us to 'remember' and gather at the Eucharist to be the living presence of Jesus.	Immaculate Heart of Mary Outlook	After 11 a.m. Mass and Brunch Sunday, April 1	Bill Paslawski 846-2161	Self Resourcing
The Theology of Johnny Cash (1) Visiting different aspects of Catholic theology using the lyrics of Johnny Cash.	St. Athansius Perigord	7 p.m. Thursday March 8	Sylvia Marquette 327-5736	Blake Sittler
The Book of Revelations (2) The Book of Revelation offers us hope and encouragement with the dawn of a new era, calling forth the Spirit within us to cry, "Come, Lord Jesus." This workshop will explore the deep symbolism, fertile images, and mystery of God in the Book of Revelation. This book is a mirror in which we can see ourselves, our church and our constant temptation to accept the value of our culture as being identical to the value of the gospel.	Christ the King Rose Valley	11 a.m. Saturday March 17	Marion Sigstad 383-2910	Gisele Bauche
The Seven Last Statements of Jesus (1) A meditation of Jesus' words from the cross leads us into the mystery of "letting go" and finding new life.	St. Alphonse Viscount	7 p.m. Wednesday May 2	Cindy Bindfeld 944-4573	Sr. Teresita Kambeitz, OSU

Solidarity Sunday March 24-25

Development and Peace presents Share Lent information

By Andréa Ledding

Parish representatives for Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP) met at the new Holy Family Cathedral and Catholic Pastoral Centre Feb. 4 to share information about the upcoming "Share Lent" campaign: "Help a just world take root." A similar meeting was held Feb. 5 at St. Augustine parish in Humboldt.

CCODP has a strong Internet presence with their website www.devp.org as well as Twitter and Facebook accounts, and options to fundraise online. One goal of the group's new campaign is ecologically based, partnering with local farmers in the global South through environmentally sound practice.

New in Share Lent 2012 is the "Give It Up" campaign, where participants can go to the website and create their own fundraising page, committing to action that will positively impact the environment. (For example: driving less, being mindful of water consumption, recycling, buying local organic/fairtrade food only.) Users choose the length and nature of a chosen action and start a personal fundraising page.

"You give something up and invite others to donate to your pot," explained Armella Sonntag, Saskatchewan's regional CCODP co-coordinator. "It's changing your own lifestyle to impact locally and globally cool the earth by

Eucharistic Adoration Schedule in Saskatoon

Would you be willing to spend an hour to sit and just "be" in the presence of God in silence?

Holy Spirit - Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (July & August begins 11 a.m.) St. Philip Neri - Monday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

St. Peter The Apostle - Tuesday, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. (not first Tuesday) Our Lady of Lourdes - Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

St Thomas More - Wednesday 12 noon to 1 p.m. (Sept. to April)

St. Augustine, Saskatoon - Thursday, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Holy Spirit - Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon

MONTHLY

St. Michael - every Thursday preceding first Friday at 9 p.m. to first Friday 5 p.m. Call Edna 382-1680.

St. Philip Neri - every second Thursday following 8:15 a.m. mass to 10 p.m. Call Renatta 373-8321.

St. John Bosco - every third Wednesday 7 p.m. to Thursday 7 p.m. (24 hours of adoration). Call Doreen 382-8388.

Queen's House - every fourth Monday 12 noon to Tuesday 12 noon (24 hours of adoration). Call 373-2621.

FIRST FRIDAY of each Month

Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sts. Martyrs Canadiens, 1007 rue Windsor - 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

FIRST SATURDAY

St. Mary - following 9 a.m. mass to noon. Call Emily 244-7442. Our Lady of Czestochowa - 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. with benediction.



- Share Lent Campaign: "Help a Just World Take Root": The Share Lent collection will be taken up across the diocese on Solidarity Sunday March 24-25 to support our sisters and brothers in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East.
- Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace will hold its Annual Regional Assembly from April 27 to 29 at The Quest, near Christopher Lake, SK. For further details please contact Bernie Arsenault (893-4168) or Louis Hradecki (922-4747 ext. 233).

supporting small scale farmers. There's so much good that can be done."

Sonntag has begun a personal fundraising campaign focused on reducing plastic shopping bags, and describes it as a way to engage and inform friends and family who may or may not be Catholic, but are still supportive and concerned about a just and environmentally friendly

The group also discussed the liturgical symbols of solidarity, materials and scripture passages in the context of climate change, environment and economy, the Zambia land alliance, the spirituality of fundraising, and the importance of sharing joyful images of Share Lent.

"People learn from Development and Peace," said Sonntag. "It's a model that creates sustainable environment and economy, with sustainable human practices."

Diocesan Mission Opportunities

Northern Manitoba / Tanzania, Africa

The Diocesan Mission Office is sponsoring two upcoming opportunities for mission experience:

- Mission 1: Sr. Margaret Sadler needs assistance with a week-long summer program for children in the northern community of Lynn Lake, Manitoba. This is an ideal mission experience for a family, a team of three young adults, or for anyone who likes working with youth.
- Mission 2: Visit an African mission and assist in serving alongside Joyce and John de Gooijer, former members of the Diocesan Mission Office, currently serving as missionaries with Volunteer International Christian Services (VICS) in Arusha, Tanzania.

For more information about these Diocesan Mission Office initiatives, call Elan Ehresman at the Catholic Pastoral Centre at 659-5839 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005 Ext. 839; or e-mail Elan at: mindevel@saskatoonrcdiocese.com





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Saturday, April 21, 2012

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Friday, May 4 to Sunday, May 6

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Register for either weekend online at: www.ceewest.com or for more information contact: Heather and Craig Stomp (306) 682-3326

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

Upcoming Marriage Preparation Weekends:

Friday, March 9 - Saturday, March 10 Friday, April 20 - Saturday, April 21 Friday May 11 - Saturday, May 12

Contact: 306-244-7773 or E-mail: staff@cfsaskatoon.sk.ca

OR CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL PARISH ABOUT OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR MARRIAGE PREPARATION!

Fill These Hearts event April 28 will strive to introduce Theology of the Body to a wider ecumenical audience

By Anne-Marie Hughes

Faith leaders and pastors were among those to gather for a preview event highlighting an upcoming Saskatoon presentation of "Fill These Hearts" April 28, which will feature Theology of the Body speaker Christopher West and musicians Mike Mangione and the Union.

The recent preview event at Circle Drive Alliance Church included questions with West via the Internet.

"We knew using technology like this was key to introducing Christopher West to a interdenominational audience who may have never heard of him as a speaker before," said James Riley, director of communications at St. Therese Institute of Faith and Mission, which is co-sponsoring the April 28 evening event which will be held at Circle Drive Alliance Church.

"We wanted to broaden the scope," said Jerry Kristian, Director of St. Therese explaining why "Fill

These Hearts" will be held at Circle Drive Alliance rather than at St Therese in Bruno, as it was last year. "We have partnered with One More Soul Canada to help us spearhead this event and bring in participation from other denominations"

Set for **7 p.m. Saturday, April 28**, in Saskatoon, "Fill These Hearts" opens a week-long conference with Christopher West at St. Therese in Bruno, April 27 - May 3.

"Fill These Hearts" is billed as an evening of beauty and reflection on the Theology of the Body. Mike Mangione and his band The Union provide the musical backdrop for exploring the themes of the evening.

Jim Anderson, director of faith formation at St. Therese School of Faith and Mission said he was excited to introduce Christopher West to the broader Christian community. "He has done over a thousand lectures in over 200 cities and states, in eight countries most recently in Manilla in the Philippines and Madrid for World Youth Day. He has written and number of books and teaches both graduate and undergraduate courses."

West is known for introducing John Paul II's Theology of the Body, combining scripture and theology with a media-savvy communication style that includes references to rock lyrics and popular culture, and using direct language concerning sexuality.

When asked about the event having a more interdenominational format that included evangelical Christians who may not be familiar with terms used in the Catholic faith, West said material would be presented drawing on what Christian faithful have in common.

Representatives of several Saskatoon Catholic parishes attended the meeting; along with ministers from Circle Drive Alliance and Forest Grove Community Church; Woman's Journey of Faith founder Jodi Kozan; and members of One More Soul.



40 Hours for Life 2012

A pro-life vigil will again be held in Saskatoon, an hour a day for 40 days of Lent, with participants walking and praying for an end to abortion. The event takes place every day until Palm Sunday, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in front of Saskatoon City Hospital on Queen Street. Signs are provided. Groups and individuals are encouraged to sign up for a particular day or the same day each week by e-mailing Denise Hounjet-Roth at: campaignlifecoalitionsask@gmail.com

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Forgiveness - McClure United Church and Holy Spirit parish, in accordance with their Covenant, hold yearly study evenings. This year Sr. Teresita Kambeitz, OSU, will facilitate two evenings on forgiveness. The first session 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27 'Take Time to Forgive,' will draw on scripture, stories and visuals to explore the five steps in the process of forgiveness and also outline five "styles" of forgiveness. The second session 7 p.m. Monday, March 26 is 'Gladden My Heart, O Lord.' A common feeling in our adult years is a vague sense of regret for things done or not done in one's earlier life. This session will offer ways to deal with self-forgiveness and to experience "gladness of heart" (Psalm 86:4). Both sessions will beheld at Holy Spirit parish, 114 Kingsmere Place. All are welcome to attend.

Christopher Leadership ten-week course in effective speaking begins Tuesday, Feb. 28. For more information, or to register, call 955-8980, or check the website: www.clcsaskatoon.com

Introduction to Centering Prayer - A simple method of Christ-centered silent prayer, centering prayer is a renewal of an ancient Christian contemplative practice, updated for our time, that can lead to a deeper prayer life, personal healing, spiritual transformation, and closer union with God. Fr. Kevin McGee and Marge Copeland will lead an "Introduction to Centering Prayer" workshop from 9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Saturday, March 3 at St. Peter the Apostle Parish, Northumberland Avenue, adjacent to Bishop Klein School in Saskatoon. Soup lunch will be provided. Follow-up sessions will also be held Saturday mornings March 10 and 17, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. (approximately). These follow-up sessions build on the information presented at the introductory session. To register call St. Peter the Apostle parish office at 382-5503. Cost is \$25.

Perogy Paradise 7 annual fundraiser for NASHI, a local charity that is fighting human trafficking. The dinner and auctions will be held Saturday, March 10 at Pavillon Gustave Dubois, 2320 Louise Ave., Saskatoon SK. Doors open at 4 p.m. with viewing of auction items; cash bar 5 p.m.; smorg meal at 6 p.m., featuring five types of perogies, sausage, salads and desserts. Program at 7:30 p.m. and at 8:30 p.m. live and silent auctions and more. Tickets: Adults \$40 each; Children 10 and under \$20. Call: (306) 653-4646 or (306) 281-9877. You can also order tickets by email: info@nashi.ca (Please indicate your name, contact number or email address and how many tickets you would like.) Please note that tickets will not be available at the door.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FacetoFace Parish Missions will be held at St. Theresa parish in Rosetown on March 17-18; at St. Scholastica in Burr on March 24-25; and in the Trinity area (for parishes at Vonda, Prud'homme, St. Denis) March 31 to April 1. See the website at www.f2f.ca

Oblate Parish Mission will be held at St. Augustine parish in Humboldt **Sunday March 25 to Tuesday, March 27**. Consult the mission schedule online at: www.humboldt.saskatooncatholic.ca

Healing the Pain of Abortion: a weekend retreat by Rachel's Vineyard will be held April 13 to April 15, offering a psychological and spiritual journey for healing after abortion, focusing on God's love and forgiveness in a non-judgmental environment. The retreat is open and welcomes individuals of all denominations. For confidential information, please e-mail: r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net or phone: (306) 480-8911.

Mayor's Prayer Breakfast "Leadership Building Our Future" will be held Saturday, April 14 at Prairieland Park, Hall A, in Saskatoon; with breakfast at 7:30 a.m., program from 8:30 -10:30 a.m. Chilean miners who were rescued after 68 days entombed in a mine 590 meters below the earth tell their story. For tickets go to the website: www.mayorsbreakfast.ca

St. Therese Institute for Faith and Mission

Bruno, SK. contact: (306) 369-2555 or see: www.StTherese.ca

March 9-18: "triumph: Results God Gives" - a nine-day, Christ-centred journey of inner healing and discovery; rooted in scripture, tradition and prayer, experiencing the transforming power of God's merciful love. \$795 single, \$1,490 couple.

March 23-25: St. Therese Institute "Come and See" weekend, \$25 May 26: St. Therese School of Faith and Mission Commissioning Mass, Ceremony and Banquet (\$25)

Springtime of Faith Conferences:

a series of week long presentations at St. Therese in Bruno, open to the public. Become a St. Therese student for a week and grow deeper in your faith:

March 25-30 - "Called for a Purpose: A Theology of the Laity" with Jim Anderson, Bruno. \$450.

April 1-3 - "In His Image: A Holy Week Iconography Retreat" with Fr. Ivan Nahachewsky, Prince Albert, SK. \$300.

April 15-20 - "Ignatian Discernment I: Introduction" - Fr. Terry Donahue, CC, Ottawa. \$450.

April 22-26 - "Ignation Discernment II: Practical Applications" - Donna Kristian, Saskatoon. \$450

April 27 - Mike Mangione and The Union in concert, 8 p.m.

April 27 - May 3- "Into the Heart: Journey through the Theology of the Body" - Join the students of St. Therese School of Faith and Mission for a week-long session on Theology of the Body with renowned Catholic speaker and author, Christopher West, \$745 full week or \$695 for April 29-May 3.

April 28: "Fill these Hearts" Theology of the Body evening of reflection and beauty at Circle Drive Alliance, Saskatoon, with Christopher West / Mike Mangione and The Union, \$35.

May 6-11: "Apologetics and Ecumenism in the New Evangelization" - Jim Anderson, Bruno. \$450

May 13-18: "You Shall Be My Witnesses: Theology of Evangelization" - Fr. Scott McCaig, CC, Ottawa. \$450

Bookings: For meetings, conferences, retreats, reunions, receptions or banquets — for groups large or small call Carolyn (306) 369-2555 or e-mail: ccrittenden@sttherese.ca

Uniting in Faith donors and volunteers from across the diocese are invited to attend a wind-up of the Uniting in Faith campaign that raised funds for the Cathedral of the Holy Family and our new diocesan Catholic Pastoral Centre. The event Friday, April 20 at the new cathedral includes tours before and after Mass at 6:30 p.m. with Bishop Don Bolen, followed by a reception. RSVP before Tuesday, April 10 by contacting Chelsey Hagerty at the Catholic Foundation, 659-5851; toll free: 1-877-661-5005, Ext. 851 or: chagerty@dscatholicfoundation.ca

Swing Into Spring Fashion Show and Dinner will be held Thursday, May 3 at TCU Place, as the Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation presents an evening that includes a buffet dinner, draws for door prizes, and the latest in ladies' and men's fashions modeled by employees of Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools. Call the GSCS Foundation at (306) 659-2003 or see: scs.sk.ca/foundation

Campaign Life Coalition Sask. provincial conference **Saturday, May 5** at Holy Spirit parish in Saskatoon. Day begins with an AGM followed by a spiritual talk, pro-life apologetics, and banquet speaker Alex Schadenberg of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. For information contact Denise at (306) 249-2764.

F2F Family Retreat will be held at St. Augustine parish in Humboldt **Saturday May 5 to Sunday, May 6.** For the schedule and registration details: www.humboldt.saskatooncatholic.ca

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

St. Ann's Spring Gala - St. Ann's Senior Citizen's Village (St. Ann's Home) will be holding its annual "Spring Gala" from noon to 2:30 p.m. **Sunday, May 6** at the Sheraton-Cavalier Hotel in Saskatoon. The Gala will consist of a brunch and entertainment along with auction items and door prizes. Tickets are \$50 for adults, with a tax receipt for \$25 (or a table of 8 for \$360); \$15 for children 6-12; and free for under age 6. They are available at St. Ann's or by calling (306) 374-8900, ext. 221.

March For Life on Mother's Day 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, May 13, followed by refreshments and a short presentation in front of Royal University Hospital along College Drive. Signs are provided: the walk takes place rain or shine, showing support and urging defense of the pre-born, who have no voice of their own. Information: Denise at (306) 249-2764.

This year's Western Conference for the Catechumenate will feature speaker Dr. Jerry Galipeau from Chicago Friday, May 25 and Saturday, May 26 at Holy Spirit parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon. Watch for more details or contact Diocesan Director of Christian Initiation, Fr. Michael Koch, (306) 373-0404.

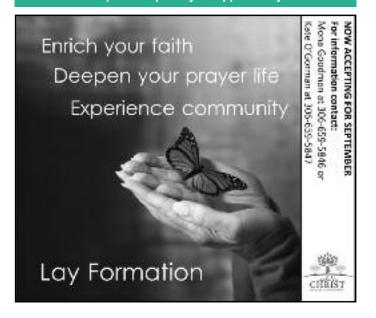
Truth and Reconciliation Commission national event will be held June 21-24, 2012 at Prairieland Park in Saskatoon. For more information see the website at: trc.ca

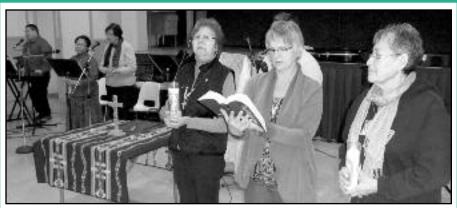
One Lord, One Call, A Rainbow of Ministries - a conference on Catholic Health and Catholic Education in Saskatchewan will be held Nov. 2-4, at the Regina Inn in Regina, Call CHAS at 306-655-5330 or see www.chassk.ca or www.scsba.ca

Volunteers needed for hospital outreach

Each day, sisters and brothers in Christ from across our diocese – and beyond – are admitted to hospital in Saskatoon, facing illness, suffering and fear: often with great spiritual longing for understanding, prayer, and connection. Committed, caring volunteers are needed to share time, compassion and a listening heart. Training and support will be provided. To apply as a pastoral care volunteer, contact diocesan Catholic chaplaincy coordinator Céline Hudon at: (306) 292-5531.

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Our Lady of Guadalupe parish event

An Ultreya retreat was recently held at Our Lady of Guadalupe parish, as a follow-up to a Cursillo faith enrichment event hosted by the Saskatoon parish this summer. The Saskatoon parish, which serves First Nations, Metis, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in the heart of the city, recently received a letter from Bishop Don Bolen approving their request to begin the search for a church building of their own. The parish offices are presently located at Guadalupe House on Avenue J, with Sunday Eucharist held each week at 1 p.m. at St. Mary parish on Avenue 0.

Knights focus on evangelization and hope

By Ed Gibney, State Deputy

This year's international theme for the Knights of Columbus is taken from Pope John Paul II's apostolic exhortation *Ecclesia in America:* "So That the World May Know New Hope."

This theme speaks of the duty of all Knights and indeed all Catholics, to spread the hope that is ours in our faith, through evangelization. It reminds us that the "New Evangelization" is an obligation of love; that it is everyone's duty to show to the world the hope that comes from the unity, and solidarity experienced in a communal encounter with the living Jesus Christ. We are called to re-dedicate ourselves to serve God, our neighbours, parishes and communities, and with the spiritual guidance of the heads of our Church, we will rekindle the flame of faith in our own lives and in those around us.

This theme reminds us that the councils of the Knights of Columbus must work at developing stronger ties to

parishes and especially to the council chaplain and/or parish priest.

Knights must be ready to evangelize to their communities, by serving their communities and showing the goodness of the teachings of Christ.

There are a number of upcoming dates that are important to the Knights of Columbus:

- April 20 to 22 The Saskatchewan State Council 90th Annual Convention will be held in Regina.
- May 10 The March for Life will be held on the grounds of the Saskatchewan Legislature in Regina.
- May 6 to 13 Knights will assist in the Gala Opening Week events surrounding the formal blessing of the Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon.
- Aug. 5-10 The 130th Annual International Convention of the Knights of Columbus will be held in Anaheim, California, in conjunction with a Marian Devotion to our Lady of Guadalupe.

"Called to the Single Life" retreat will be held April 27-28

By Myron Rogal

Called to the Single Life 2012 annual retreat will be held **April 27-28** at Queen's House of Retreats in Saskatoon.

"To serve God and neighbour in exemplary fashion" (CCC #1658) is the theme. In scripture, St. Paul speaks to us of serving God with an undivided and single heart. Any vocation calls us to find purpose and meaning in the vocation we are called to.

If you are currently living the single life with a burning desire to live this life more fully, come spend part of a weekend in retreat to reflect on how the Lord is calling you as a single person to serve God.

This year's retreat offers testimonies and focuses on two questions. Firstly what is the single life? Secondly how am I called to live out this state of life for a season or a lifetime?

The weekend will provide opportunities for Eucharist, prayer, reflection and sharing, with a goal of deepening your understanding of the Lord's call in your own life.

Wade St. Onge will break open this year's theme unravelling the foundations of single life in conjunction with other guest speakers.

For more information or to register contact Myron at the diocesan Vocations Office at 306-659-5841, or e-mail him at: vocations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com For a detailed outline of the retreat, visit saskatoonrcdiocese.com and check out the calendar of events. The event is also on Facebook at "Single Life Retreat: The Single Heart."

Transitions Alumni Event:

Come experience a deeper intimacy with God!

Fr. Kevin McGee will lead an introduction to the Christian contemplative tradition through centering prayer. There will be opportunity to practice during the three-hour session, beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 31. To register, call Elan at 659-5839.

Hurting from separation or divorce?

Transitions is an 11-week support program for anyone going through the painful experience of separation or divorce. You are not alone!

Transition sessions will be held at the Catholic Pastoral Centre on the second floor of the Cathedral of the Holy Family,

123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, beginning Thursday, April 12, 2012 with gatherings held Mondays for the following 10 weeks.

For more information or to register, call Elan at 659-8539.