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May 9, 2021 - Sixth Sunday of Easter / Mother's Day

Catholic Education Week May 9-16

National Week of Life and the Family May 9-16

Upcoming Events

Pure Witness Ministries presents **ReConnect Online** for Grades 7 to 12, featuring guest speaker Peter Van Kampen, who will talk about how to "Face the Uncertainties of Life" 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. **Tuesday, May 11**. Pre-registration for ReConnect is required. Register at: <https://purewitness.com/reconnect-may/>

"It takes a village..." - Faith Formation for Children in Your Parish: In-service sessions for catechists, pastors, parish finance and pastoral council members will be held via Zoom, with a choice of three dates/times: 10 a.m. **May 11** or 1:30 p.m. **May 12** or 7 p.m. **May 13**. Please e-mail Marilyn Jackson at mjackson@rcdos.ca to receive a link for the session you wish to attend.

Growing in Wisdom, Seeking Generativity introduction to new program June 4 and June 5: In September 2021 Queen's House and other retreat centres across Canada will offer a two-year online program for people 60+ who wish to explore the unique spirituality of the "wisdom years." To learn more, join Queen's House for a two-day online gathering **Friday June 4 and Saturday June 5**, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. featuring keynote speakers (including Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI, and past participants) to discern if "Growing in Wisdom" is for you. Cost: \$25 per participant for the two-day introduction. Register at <https://qh.retreatportal.com/events/?p=EVENTS:1> or leave a message at (306) 242-1916.

Dying Healed Workshop

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 15

St. Augustine Church Hall, Humboldt, SK

This workshop will provide comprehensive education on palliative care / end of life issues and preliminary training for those wishing to provide compassionate and supportive care to those in need, particularly at end-of-life. Cost is \$15, which includes a workbook.

Due to current pandemic restrictions, attendance is limited, registration is required, and refreshments will not be served.

Register by calling Jackie Saretsky of the diocesan Hospital Chaplaincy Office at (306) 659-5839 or e-mailing: jsaretsky@rcdos.ca



May 9-16, 2021

Catholic Education Week

During the week of May 9 to May 16, 2021, Catholic Schools throughout Saskatchewan and our wider community will celebrate Catholic Education Week and the significant contribution of Catholic Education in the province of Saskatchewan. Please join in celebrating the joy and hope of Catholic Education! The theme for this year's Catholic Education Week is "Catholic Education: Nurturing Hope/L'éducation catholique: Cultiver l'espérance." Five sub-themes – one for each school day in Catholic Education Week – will help staff and students reflect on Nurturing Hope. The five sub-themes are:
Day 1: Preparing the Earth / Préparer la terre
Day 2: Sowing Seeds of Gratitude / Semer la gratitude
Day 3: Cultivating Relationships / Cultiver nos relations
Day 4: Harvesting New Fruit / Récolter de nouveaux fruits
Day 5: Marvelling in Wonder / S'émerveiller

World Catholic Education Day

Liturgy of the Word

with Bishop Mark Hagemoen

10 a.m. Ascension Thursday, May 13

will be live-streamed at:

<https://saskatoonmass.com>

and on the diocesan YouTube channel at

<https://www.youtube.com/user/saskatoondiocese>

Diocesan Cenacle of Prayer: - All are invited to this Cenacle Holy Hour, which consists of adoration, the rosary, benediction, hymns and various prayers at 3 p.m. on **Wednesday, May 12** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent, Saskatoon. For information call Edna at: (306) 382-1680.

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National Week for Life and the Family – May 9 to May 16:

The 2021 theme is: “Family, the Domestic Church: A Sign of Hope and Life.” Every Christian family is called to be a “little church.” As a domestic church, the life of a family is centered on God’s saving love. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Christian families witness to the world that Jesus Christ is Lord. Inspired by the Saviour’s presence, the Christian family becomes a sign of hope and life to those who most need it. In this way, the family, living as a domestic church, is a manifestation of our loving Father’s providential care for humanity. Find resources for this year’s National Week for Life and the Family from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) at: <https://www.cccb.ca/national-week-for-life-and-the-family/>

Stay in touch with diocesan news, information and prayer online: Check out our diocesan website rcdos.ca, the Catholic Saskatoon News site at news.rcdos.ca and live-stream of Mass and other resources at saskatoonmass.com. The diocese is also on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

Annual Tomato Plant Sale - St. Philip Neri Parish Refugee Committee is holding a bedding plant sale in support of refugee sponsorship. **Deadline for orders is May 13**, with pick-up on **Saturday, May 15** at the church. Tomatoes (five varieties remaining), peppers (bell, jalapeno, cayenne) and herbs (thyme, marjoram) are in 5” pots: \$6/plant or \$5 each for 4 for more (mix and match). Nanking cherry shrubs are also available for \$10 each. Donated Canadian honey is \$10 per 1-kg jar. Contact Sheila Flory: sheila.flory@usask.ca or (306) 931-8053.

Interested in learning more about Catholic traditions? St. Thomas More College's new **Certificate in Catholic Studies** takes an interdisciplinary approach to the study of Catholicism – from its origins to a community of 1.4 billion people today. Course offerings engage Catholicism’s history, art, thought, literature, teachings, and role in society. This STM program is open to both community members and current USask students. Those over 65 can take the certificate tuition-free. Full-time and part-time spots are now available for September. For more information contact Chris Hrynkow at chrynkow@stmcollege.ca

Pastoral Counselling with a Focus on Marital Conflict, Separation and Divorce - Sometimes you simply need a safe place to talk. Olive Branch Ministry provides a listening ear, non-judgmental feedback, and an openness to talk about your relationship with God. Contact Madeline Oliver at (306) 361-9318 or e-mail pmolivebranch@gmail.com or visit the website at www.olivebranchministry.ca for more information.

Diocesan Prayer - We pray that Catholic education will always model Jesus Christ who is “the Way, the Truth and the Life.” May Catholic schools continue to develop excellence, build relationships and embody Jesus Christ in the flesh – forming both the head and the heart so that all may serve our brothers and sisters seeking “... a new heaven and a new earth.”

Grow Hope Saskatchewan

Help sponsor this year’s crop to feed hungry people around the globe.

Visit Grow Hope on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/GrowHopeSK/> or to learn more or to donate online please go to: www.growhopesk.ca

Cheques to “Grow Hope Saskatchewan” can also be mailed to the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation (“Attention: Grow Hope 2020”), 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, S7S 1H1.

For more info contact Myron Rogal at: mrogal@rcdos.ca

Rachel's Vineyard Ministry 2021 Retreat: 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 you 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 Rachel's Vineyard retreat in Saskatchewan will be held **Oct 22-24, 2021**. To register or for more information, please contact Elaine at 1-306-480-8911 or email: r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net

The National March for Life will be taking place both in person as well as virtually this year, and EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network - <https://www.ewtn.com>) will offer live coverage, including the National Mass for Life from Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa **Thursday, May 13** at 8:30 a.m. (SK time), followed by coverage of events on Parliament Hill from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 pm (SK time). Regional Masses for Life are also being filmed and will run on <https://marchforlife.ca>. Salt +Light Media will also be broadcasting coverage of March for Life events May 12 and May 13. Find information on the website: <https://slmedia.org>

Kindergarten Registration for Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools - Catholic faith-based education helps children grow spiritually at school while they grow physically, intellectually and emotionally. Children must be five years old on or before Jan. 31, 2022, to start school in September 2021 (or five years old on or before Dec. 31, 2021 for the communities of Martensville, Warman, Biggar and Humboldt). Please visit www.gscs.ca for information and/or info on virtual visits.

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