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Jan. 16, 2022 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

Centring Prayer – Gather in-person at Queen's House, 601 Taylor St. W., Saskatoon, or virtually on Zoom from 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Monday evenings for centring prayer. Fr. Paul Facht, OMI, provides leadership and guidance for these gatherings. Register online at: www.queenshouse.org or call (306) 242-1916. No fee – donations to Queen's House are welcome.

Outcasts Who Belong: Jesus and Unnamed Women in the Gospels - Join Sr. Teresita Kambeitz, OSU, to explore this compelling topic 10 a.m. to 12 noon **Thursdays, Jan. 20, Jan. 27 and Feb. 3**, repeated 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. - a Queen's House event held online via Zoom. Sr. Teresita will reflect – with visuals and stories – on the encounters of the outsider Jesus with ten unnamed outsider women who belong as insiders in the new world Jesus came to establish. Cost: \$90 for three sessions. Register at: www.queenshouse.org or call (306) 242-1916.

Kusenberger Chair of Oblate Studies - In recent years, there has been a noticeable growth and interest in the charism, spirituality, and mission of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. If you are interested in learning more, please consult the website and enroll as soon as possible, since online courses start **Jan. 24, 2022**. For more information see: www.omilacombe.ca/kusenberger-chair-of-oblate-studies.

Sustainability Speakers Series online is hosted by the Saskatoon Public Library in partnership with the Saskatchewan Environmental Society (SES). These environmentally-themed monthly webinars are free for all to attend, held online from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday evenings. The first webinar of 2022 will be held **Tuesday, Jan. 25**: Local Food and Reducing Food Waste. In Canada, the average household wastes 140 kg of food each year (a cost of about \$1,100). Catherine Beaudoin will discuss easy tips to reduce food waste at home as well as key advantages of eating local. Zoom link to the live webinars are posted on the Saskatoon Public Library site at: <https://saskatoonlibrary.evanced.info/signup/Calendar> or to join this presentation, visit <https://zoom.us/j/81053088609>

Knights of Columbus Virtual Pro-Life Fundraiser: The Saskatoon Knights of Columbus will be hosting a virtual Pro-Life fundraiser online at 7 p.m. **Saturday, Feb 26**. For more information or tickets call Louis Roth (306) 249-2764 or Murray Geenen (306) 244-6196.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

*"We saw the star in the East,
and we came to worship him." - Matthew 2:2*

Find a message from Bishop Mark Hagemoen for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at:
<https://rcdos.ca/wpcu>

Week of Prayer materials have been prepared by the Middle East Council of Churches based in Beirut, Lebanon. Resources can be found at:

www.weekofprayer.ca

EVENT POSTPONED: Please note that a planned ecumenical worship service Jan. 16 at Holy Spirit Church has been **cancelled**, to be rescheduled at a future date, given the concerns about rising COVID-19 cases.

Eight-day Bible Study ONLINE Jan. 18 to 25

sponsored by the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism and the Regina Council of Churches, held daily from 12:15 pm to 1 p.m. (except on Sunday, Jan. 23, when it will be held at 3 p.m.) Register online at: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEKdeGhrzgtEtd2wehNGffCCV1v3D_2PfZ6 or for more information, contact admin@pceecumenism.ca or call (306) 653-1633.

Ecumenical Milestone for Theological Education:

The partner schools of the Saskatoon Theological Union (STU) present a short online service of worship, as they sign and celebrate a new STU covenant **11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 20** as part of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Representatives of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, and St. Andrew's College will give brief reflections on the significance of this covenant in the deepening relationship they share together in the task and joy of theological education. For information contact: shawn.sanfordbeck@saskatoontheologicalunion.ca or call (306) 441-6367. You will find the event link online at: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87803664220>

Diocesan Prayer - We pray as a diocesan family for hearts of reconciliation and healing, as we work together in love and friendship for the Christian unity that our Lord Jesus Christ desires for all His disciples.

Message Board

Mass for the Day of Remembrance for the Unborn will be celebrated at 5 p.m. **Saturday, Jan. 29** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1235-12th Street East, Saskatoon.

Day of Prayer for Reverence for Life - Bishop Mark Hagemoen has declared **Sunday, Jan. 30** as a Day of Prayer for Reverence for Life in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, to reflect and pray about the protection of life at every age and stage. Watch for more details and a message from the bishop in the days ahead.

Synod Training - All those interested are invited to participate in an online training session for parish or group coordinators for the Synod For a Synodal Church in our diocese. Training is held online via Zoom from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. with two remaining dates available: **Thursday, Jan. 27** or **Wednesday, Feb. 16**. Register at: <https://form.jotform.com/213476897740267> (A link to the Zoom session will be sent upon registration.) The "**Synod on Synodality**" is a two-year worldwide process of listening and dialogue, with a diocesan phase taking place between now and April 2022. Pope Francis has invited the entire Church to reflect on a process that is vital for its life and mission. By journeying together and reflecting together, the Church will learn more about how a synodal process can help us to live communion, to achieve participation, and to open ourselves to mission. Find more information at: rcdos.ca/synod.

Gloves and Mittens Needed - The Salvation Army shelter in Saskatoon reports: "There has been an extremely high need, specifically for gloves, mitts and hand warmers so far this winter at our emergency shelter. Our supply is very low right now and we are reaching out to the community for support." Donate items at 339- Avenue C South, Saskatoon or call (306) **244-6280** (please note corrected phone number).

Theology on Tap: For young adults 19 to 35 – Celebrate the New Year with Theology on Tap on-line. The next session is dedicated to "Priesthood and Religious Life." Tune in to hear the interview with Fr. Michael Smolinski, CSsR, and Fr. Andre Lalach. All are welcome. Theology on Tap is on Facebook at www.facebook.com/saskatoonTonT and also on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/daPA5jWkPAk>.

Virtual Bottle Drive for the Catholic TRC Healing Response – Support the diocese's "Catholic TRC Healing Response" fund for residential school survivors and their communities by using the "Drop and Donate" feature at Sarcan depots in Saskatoon. When bringing bottles to the Sarcan facility, use the phrase "TRC" to direct monies to the fund-raising project via the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation. Learn more about Sarcan's Drop and Go program at: www.sarcana.ca/pages/about_drop_go.html and/or find more information about the Catholic TRC Healing Response (including a secure online donation form) at: dscf.ca/catholic-trc-healing-response.



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Marriage Preparation

St. Paul Co-Cathedral Marriage Preparation "Christ in the Middle" will be held Tuesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., **March 1 to April 12, 2022** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cres. E. Saskatoon. For info and to register, contact Angela Penna at (306) 652-0033 or e-mail apenna@rcdos.ca

Marriage Preparation at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Martensville will be held **Feb. 11 and 12, 2022**. Space is limited: contact the parish office at (306) 931-3111 or e-mail: ihmp@rcdos.ca.

Catholic Engaged Encounter (CEE) is an intensive weekend of marriage preparation, in which each couple is offered the time and opportunity to question, examine, and deepen their relationship, share in community and be open to God's plan. Topics covered during the weekend include; self-awareness, values and ideals, community, sexuality, communication, decision making, Natural Family Planning, vocations, sacraments, prayer and unity. In the diocese of Saskatoon, Catholic Engaged Encounter weekends are held at St. Peter's Abbey in Muenster, SK, with the next session **April 1-3, 2022**. Cost is \$480 for the weekend, which includes all meals and accommodations. Find more information or register online at <https://ceewest.com/> or contact Elizabeth and Deryk Meszaros at deryk200@hotmail.com.

Staff and students at E.D. Feehan school in Saskatoon are working to raise funds to sponsor a refugee family who are running for their lives after an extremist organization took power in their home country. For more information or to donate to the E.D. Feehan effort go to the Go Fund Me page at: www.gofundme.com/f/refugeeYXE

Bishop's Annual Appeal – Thanks to all who have made a gift or pledge to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. For those who have not yet made a gift: please prayerfully consider supporting a range of much-needed ministry and outreach in our diocese through the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Learn more or give online at dscf.ca/baa — or your gift can be sent directly to BAA, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, SK S7S 1H1, or dropped at your parish. Every gift is needed and will make a difference.

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