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Friday, March 25, 2022, Consecration to Mary

Diocese to unite in prayer for Peace and Entrustment to the Heart of Mary as Pope Francis consecrates Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

To Clergy, Religious, and Lay Faithful of the Diocese of Saskatoon:

Further to the announcement by Pope Francis regarding his intention to consecrate Russia and Ukraine to our Blessed Mother Mary – our diocese will unite with this consecration on March 25, 2022, the Feast of the Annunciation.

Our diocese will join in solidarity with Pope Francis, and with several other dioceses throughout Canada and other parts of the world – and in particular in solidarity with the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon – in a consecration ceremony at the 12:15 p.m. Mass on at Holy Family Cathedral, Saskatoon. Further to this consecration, later that evening, the 7 p.m. Stations of the Cross will pray the theme of Mary's accompaniment of the Lord Jesus on the way to His cross.


Also, as announced today by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), all our parishes and faithful of the diocese are invited to join in the Novena Prayer for Peace, as developed by Ukrainian Catholic leaders, commencing today, March 17, and concluding on Friday, March 25, 2022, the day of the consecration by Pope Francis.

I invite all our parishes to unite in prayer at this time for the intention of the peace for Ukraine, Russia, and all of the world at this extraordinary time of needed grace and blessing.

Resources are attached to assist you with your planning for the event on March 25.

Sincerely in Christ,

✠ Most Rev. Mark A. Hagemoen

 In all things we are *rooted in Christ*,
in His desire to bring God's love to all peoples.