




Diocesan Bulletin

Dec. 1, 2024 - First Sunday of Advent

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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

African Canadian Catholic community monthly Mass will be held at 2 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 1** at St. Michael Parish, 18-33rd St. E. Saskatoon. Mass is celebrated in English, featuring liturgical music in many African languages and with traditional drums. Everyone is welcome.

Theology on Tap for young adults 19 to 35 years will be held 5 p.m. **Monday, Dec. 2** at Louis' pub on the university campus in Saskatoon, continuing with the theme "People of Faith." Guests are two St. Thomas More College community members, Catholic Studies prof Cynthia Wallace and her husband, Usask faith leader and pastor, Josh Wallace, speaking on the theme "Growing Faith and Community: Stories from a Shared Life." All are welcome! See: www.facebook.com/saskatoonTnT.

Cenacle of Prayer (rosary, adoration, etc.) will be held 7:30 p.m. Thursday Dec. 5 at St. Michael Catholic Church, #18-33 St. E., Saskatoon. Info: call Edna at (306) 382-1680.

Contemplative Mass led by Fr. Kevin McGee will be held 5 p.m. **Friday, Dec. 6** at St. Mary Parish, 211 Ave. O South, Saskatoon. The rhythm of the Contemplative Mass is a gentle, steady flow, marked by 20 minutes of silence after communion for reflection and recognition of the intimate presence of Christ, who comes to us in scripture and the Eucharist. Relax and rest in the abiding presence of God.

Enkindle Advent Retreat

9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 7, 2024

Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon

*Prepare spiritually for the
celebration of Christmas
during this diocesan adult faith
Advent Retreat presented
by the Verbum Dei Sisters.*



Cost is \$30 (includes lunch). Register online at:

<https://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/adventretreat2024>
or contact coordinator Astrid Alas at (306) 659-5858.

Adult Faith is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.



Remembrance Mass: 7 pm Friday, Dec. 6

St. Patrick Parish, 3339 Centennial Dr., Saskatoon

This is a Remembrance Mass for parents, grandparents, family members and friends of those who have lost a child from pregnancy through adulthood.

Families are asked to bring a photo or other remembrance of their child with them.

Hosted by Red Bird Ministries in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon.

Chapter leaders are Monique and Ryan Leblanc:
(306) 850-1596 or westcoastleblancs@gmail.com.

www.redbird.love

Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care will be presented 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Saturday, Dec. 7** at St. Joseph Parish, 600-4th Avenue West, Kindersley, SK. Register by calling the parish office at (306) 463-2306 or e-mail: sjkindersley@rcdos.ca (lunch provided). (*Hospital Chaplaincy is supported the BAA.*)

A Pre-Christmas Tea and Bake Sale will be held from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. **Saturday, Dec. 7** at St. Mary Parish, 211 Ave. O South, Saskatoon. Admission is \$3.

"Heart and Voice" - Melodia Singers Christmas Concert with Children's Chorus will be held 7 p.m. **Saturday, Dec. 7** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cr. E, Saskatoon. Directed by Albert Couture, with children's direction by Michael Friesen; accompanist Katie Ormerod. Tickets will be available at the door. Suggested price: \$15/adult, \$5/child, \$40/family, or by donation.

Message Board

Emmaus Family Support is a Catholic, peer-led support gathering of individuals who are the primary caregivers of a family member or loved one experiencing mental health challenges. In Saskatoon, support meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon, with the next meeting on **Thursday, Dec. 5**. See: emmaussupport.ca or contact Lynn Eremondi at lynn.eremondi@gmail.com.

Toy and Turkey Bingo will be held at 6:15 p.m. **Friday, Dec. 13** at St. Patrick Parish, 3339 Centennial Drive, Saskatoon: advance tickets only; available after weekend Mass or from the office during regular hours. Prizes are toys and a gift card for turkeys, all valued at \$50 or more, with a special blackout bingo for a television and gaming console. Concession available. Questions? Call: (306) 384-1100.

Christmas at the Prison - Monetary donations are needed to purchase identical small gifts to distribute at Saskatoon Correctional Centre as a way of sharing the joy of Christmas with those in prison, letting them know that they are not forgotten. Drop labelled donation into the parish collection or deliver to the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 123 Nelson Rd., Saskatoon, S7S 1H1, or donate online through the Catholic Foundation "designated ministry" form at: dscf.ca/designated-ministry-support, using the drop-down box to direct your gift.

Keep Christ in Christmas – Knights of Columbus Denis Mahoney Council in Saskatoon is selling wooden nativity scenes for outdoor display. Cost: \$85; call or text Garry Maier at (306) 221-5893 or email garrymaier@outlook.com.

Organists and Singers Wanted at Two Senior Homes: At **St. Ann's Village Chapel**, 2910 Louise St., Saskatoon Mass is celebrated six days a week at 11 a.m. To be a volunteer organist or singer for even one day a week, phone Sr. Gina Jacek at (306) 374-5480. Also, **Samaritan Place** at 375 Cornish Rd, Saskatoon, has no keyboard player for 10:30 a.m. Mass Tuesday, and occasionally, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, or 3:30 p.m. Sunday. To volunteer or for information, call Sr. Gina at (306) 734-5480.

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2024 – On the Pilgrimage of Hope: There is still time to make a gift and receive a charitable donation tax receipt for this year. Give online or find info at: dscf.ca/baa or call (306) 659-5851.

Advent: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Parishes across our diocese have various opportunities for confession during Advent. Watch for updates on the Advent-Christmas schedules posted at:

rcdos.ca/christmas



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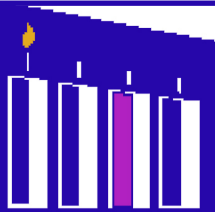
Employment Opportunities

Part-time Accounting Technician - The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is seeking a part-time accounting technician (21 hours). The role includes processing invoices, receipts, and payments with precision; assisting in reconciling accounts and preparing financial reports; supporting the preparation of budgets; assisting in ensuring compliance with financial policies and procedures; day-to-day accounting tasks. Find the full job description at: rcdos.ca/employment. Apply by e-mailing CV and cover letter to hr@rcdos.ca with the subject line "Accounting Technician" before **Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2024**.

CWL Clothing Depot - Both part-time and full-time positions are available at the **CWL Clothing Depot**, 619-20th St. W., Saskatoon. Drop off resumes between 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. from Tuesday to Friday, or e-mail your resume to: cwlclothingdepotinc@gmail.com.

Casual Caretaker - Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Saskatoon is seeking a Casual Caretaker for after-hour events, and to assist with other jobs. Contact Facilities Manager Duane Banadyga by e-mail at: dbanadyga@rcdos.ca or call (306) 241-7152.

Part-time Pastoral Associate - Holy Spirit Parish in Saskatoon is seeking a Part-time Pastoral Associate (Youth Ministry) responsible for baptism preparation for infants and young children, and to work with Catholic elementary schools. For a job description, or to apply, e-mail: info@holyspiritsaskatoon.ca.



Diocesan Prayer - We pray as a diocesan family for all those suffering loss, experiencing struggles, grief, sickness, or poverty. Loving God, we pray that you would inspire and equip us to be a community of caring and support that provides help and healing to all.

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