



Diocesan Bulletin

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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

“Developing Disciples of Christ” – Free Catechist workshop will be offered online via Zoom from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, Jan. 15**, reflecting on how to effectively catechize in a way that advances the Church's primary mission to evangelize. Pre-register online at: <https://form.jotform.com/243445309486261> or for information, contact Marilyn Jackson at (306) 659-5836.

“Bringing Back the Circle: The Voices of Pleasant Hill” is a documentary film to be shown 9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. **Saturday Jan. 18** at St. Mary Parish Lower Hall, Ave. O South and 20th St. West, Saskatoon. A collaboration between St. Paul's Hospital / SPH Foundation and Joel Bernbaum/Little Ox films, it is an opportunity to hear about the lived experience, struggles and hopes of the people from the neighbourhood around St. Paul's Hospital. Conversation and questions will follow; refreshments available. This is the first presentation of a “Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope” series, sponsored by St. Mary Parish Truth and Reconciliation Committee.

Canadian Martyrs National Relic Tour - Relics of three of the Canadian Martyrs — St. Jean de Brébeuf, St. Charles Garnier and St. Gabriel Lalemant — as well as a relic of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, will be at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on **Friday, Jan. 24**. Learn more about the relic tour at: <https://martyrs-shrine.com/relic-tour>.

Awaken adult faith program: “Gospel Encounters with Jesus” will be held at 7 p.m. on four Tuesday evenings, **Feb. 18, Feb. 25, March 4, and March 11, 2025**:

- **Feb. 18 with Fr. David Tumback**, held at St. Patrick Parish, 3339 Centennial Drive, Saskatoon;
- **Feb. 25 with Fr. Gerard Cooper**, held at the Catholic Centre, 123 Nelson Rd., Saskatoon;
- **March 4 with Bishop Mark Hagemoen**, Catholic Centre;
- **March 11 with Sr. Marta Piano, VDMF**, Catholic Centre.

Cost for the four-part series is \$40; register online at: <https://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/awakenwinter2025> or contact Adult Faith Coordinator Astrid Alas at (306) 659-5858 or amalas@rcdos.ca. (*Adult Faith formation is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 18-26, 2025

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity resources are now available for download at weekofprayer.ca.

Celebrations in Saskatoon:

Saturday, Jan. 18 - Singing into Unity 2:30 p.m. Jan. 18 at Resurrection Lutheran, 310 Lenore Dr., Saskatoon.

Jan. 20-23 - Ecumenical Prayer and Breakfast Services with 8 a.m. worship each day, followed by a light breakfast:

- **Mon., Jan. 20** at St. Matthew Anglican, 135-109th St. W.
- **Tues., Jan. 21** at Mount Royal Mennonite, 610 Avenue O N.
- **Wed., Jan. 22** at Dormition Ukrainian Catholic, 120-105th St. W.
- **Thurs., Jan. 23** at St. Philip Neri Church, 1902 Munroe Ave. S.

Jan. 22-23 - “Here Comes Nicea” De Margerie Series for Christian Reconciliation and Unity Lectures in-person and live-streamed with guest speaker Rev. Dr. Sandra Beardsall: “Nicea: Are We Ready For Visible Unity?” at 7 p.m. **Jan. 22** at St. Thomas More College in Saskatoon and “Nicea: Are We Ready to Share the Apostolic Faith Tradition?” at 7 p.m. **Jan. 23** at Campion College in Regina. (Both De Margerie lectures will be live-streamed online at www.youtube.com/@stm1936).

Thursday, Jan. 23 - Campus Service: 11:40 am Jan. 23 at St. Thomas More Chapel, Saskatoon, with guest speaker Rev. Dr. Sandra Beardsall.

Saturday, Jan. 25 - De Margerie Series Workshop: 10 a.m. to noon at Holy Covenant Evangelical Orthodox Church, 1406 Alexandra Avenue, “Taking Nicea Home – Are We Ready To Let it Shape Parish Life?” with Rev. Dr. Sandra Beardsall; registration is not required (light lunch to follow).

Sunday, Jan. 26 - Ecumenical Worship Service: 3 p.m. at McClure United, 4025 Taylor St. W., with preacher Bishop Michael Smolinski, CSsR, of the Eparchy of Saskatoon.

For more information, contact the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism at (306) 653-1633 or admin@pcecumenism.ca

Diocesan Prayer - We pray for the diocesan team travelling this month on a mission trip to introduce the Called and Gifted process in the Philippines. May the Holy Spirit inspire and bless their outreach, and may all those involved more deeply encounter Jesus Christ as together they discern God's gifts.

Message Board

Warm-up location seeking donations - The overnight warm-up centre for men at St. Mary Parish in Saskatoon needs some items for its guests. Hundreds have taken refuge at the site, and many lack basic winter clothing to stay warm once they leave for the day. Items most in need are blankets, mitts, toques, and men's winter boots. New or gently-used items can be dropped off at St. Mary's Rectory at 211 Ave. O South, Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1 p.m.-4 p.m. More info: contact the parish at (306) 244-2983.

Theology on Tap for young adults 19 to 35 years will be held at 5 p.m. on **Tuesday, Jan. 21** at Louis' Pub on the University of Saskatchewan campus in Saskatoon. Guest speaker Dr. Sarah Powrie will reflect on "Augustine and the Inner Life." All are welcome to come and have a drink and engage in the discussion. Theology on Tap can be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/saskatoonTont.

"Surrendering the Secret" Post-Abortion Bible Study will be held Tuesdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., beginning **Tuesday, Jan. 14**. Women experience a path of healing through honest interactive Bible study, meaningful group experiences, and caring community. For more information contact the Saskatoon Pregnancy Options and Support Centre at contact@saskatoonpregnancyoptions.com or (306) 665-7550 (call or text). A program for men is also available in a one-to-one format at this time. All information is free and confidential.

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 info, e-mail: info@holyspiritsaskatoon.ca.

Migration Corner

Refugee Sponsorship – The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is a federally-approved Sponsorship Agreement Holder, with the diocesan Office of Migration administering private refugee sponsorship by parishes each year. "Together, we can be the hands and feet of Christ, bringing hope and healing to those in need," says Office of Migration Coordinator Hannah Enti-Brown. The 2025 application intake for private refugee sponsorship will be open until Jan. 31. For more information about applications and/or assisting with refugee sponsorship, contact the Office of Migration at: migration@rcdos.ca or (306) 242-1500.

Pope's Prayer Network – Let us join Pope Francis in his January 2025 prayer intention: "Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected." - www.popesprayer.va/prayer.



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A Catholic Approach to Outreach

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1
Cathedral of the Holy Family
123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon

Explore what it means for Catholics to serve our neighbours, what motivates us, and how to do it!

This workshop is focused on respectful ways to encounter and serve those who are houseless or facing poverty. It includes presentations by Catholic Street Missionaries, Salvation Army leaders, and others. Whether you are volunteering in a parish or serving in a local agency, this workshop is intended to inspire and provide practical tools.

Cost is \$15 to cover lunch. To register please go to:

<https://form.jotform.com/250016013849248>

CWL Clothing Depot Employment Opportunity - A part-time position (possibly leading to full time employment) is available immediately at the CWL Clothing Depot, which provides a vital service to many vulnerable people in our community. Please drop off resumes in person, Tuesdays - Fridays from 12:30 to 3 pm at the CWL Clothing Depot, 619 - 20th Street West, Saskatoon, or submit your resume by email at cwlclothingdepotinc@gmail.com. **NOTE:** The CWL Clothing Depot is currently in great need of donations of adult winter coats and boots for both men and women as well as comforters, blankets, and sheets.

Hiring now: Saskatoon Pregnancy Options Centre is seeking to hire a fundraising coordinator. Qualifications and experience in charity fundraising is a requirement of this role, as well as an understanding of pregnancy centre work. Salary is based on experience and qualifications. Saskatoon Pregnancy Options and Support Centre is non-political, faith-based registered charity. For more information and/or to apply, contact Executive Director Dee Cook at (306) 665-7550 or dee@saskatoonpregnancyoptions.com.

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