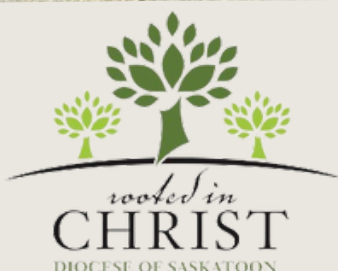


RESOURCE GUIDE

2025/2026 Activities and Ministries in the
Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

As we continue to celebrate this 2025 Jubilee Year “Pilgrims of Hope”, it is with great gratitude to God that I write this Bishop’s message. This has already been a very grace-filled year in the life of our Church and our diocese. But there’s still much ahead of us.

We are encouraged to hope by St. Paul, who states, “With the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you...” (see Ephesians 1:18)

In a world facing so many obstacles to hope, Pope Leo compares Christian hope to “an anchor that grounds our hearts in the promise of the Lord Jesus”. He exhorts hope as an anchor that holds human dignity fast. He also links hope to charity as a concrete expression of living the joy and responsibility of the Gospel in our own lives and communities.

There are a wide variety of ministries, retreats, events, and faith enrichment opportunities that will be again happening throughout the diocese beginning this fall season. These are ways and expressions of our vision and hope in God’s Kingdom. We are fortunate to have such a rich history of ministry offerings from our parishes and various Catholic movements and diocesan ministries.

I express a heart-felt thank you to all the volunteers, parish employees, priests, and movement leaders for giving of their time and selves to build the faith and lives of the People of God. I encourage all of us as we review this publication of our Ministries to consider growing and investing in our faith this year through attending some of the ministry offerings. In this guide, there is something for all ages, and since it’s a unique Year of Jubilee, people might want to consider expanding their horizons and check out something new.

I express my excitement to pray, worship, and serve with you all as we “stay the course” of celebrating this Jubilee Year and Pilgrimage of Hope.



Sincerely in Christ,
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ABOUT THIS GUIDE

The Diocese of Saskatoon has a rich history of a wide breadth of ministries, events, retreats, and movements, that serve the people of our Diocese.

Within this guide, you will find information about many of these programs and events that will be offered in the 2025/2026 ministry year. For more information about any events or programs in this guide, including registration links, scan the QR Code or visit www.rcdos.ca



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Adult faith formation in the Diocese of Saskatoon features three unique elements called PROCLAIM, AWAKEN, ENCOUNTER. You are invited to join us this fall in the mission to Proclaim Christ and God's Kingdom Today, become awakened (or re-awakened) to God's presence and love for us and to encounter our Lord in community with other followers. We look forward to serving you!



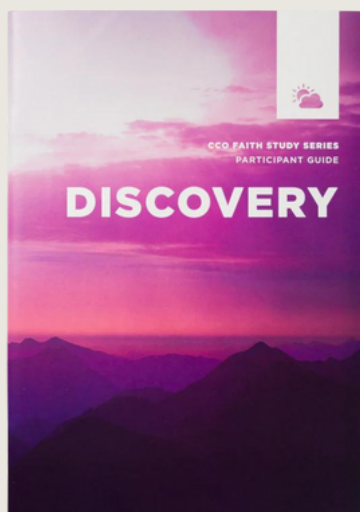
God is inviting each of us and our parish communities to embrace a bold missionary spirit, one that draws others into a deeper relationship with Him. To support this mission, we're highlighting three powerful programs that any parish or individual can use to share the Gospel and bring the light of Christ to their local community.

PROCLAIM



ALPHA

Alpha provides an introduction to the Christian life, in a casual and attractive setting. Alpha programs are typically run by parish communities that have a desire to provide an opportunity for parishioners to invite friends and neighbours to join them at the Church for a meal, a short video session, and a small group discussion. Alpha programs are great for building community and can provide an attractive first impression to new or potential new members. Visit <https://alphacanada.org> for more information.



DISCOVERY

Discovery is a six-week long faith study with the goal of introducing participants to the basic message of the Catholic Faith and invites members to consider their own relationship with Jesus. The strength of Discovery is that it requires no audio visual equipment, and can be led in nearly any environment and for groups of many sizes. Discovery is a great way to launch a small groups ministry in your parish. Visit <https://ccos.ca/resources> for more information.



THE RESCUE PROJECT

The Rescue Project is a Catholic small group series that seeks to proclaim the gospel in a compelling and attractive way over eight weeks in a small group format. The participants will have an opportunity to encounter the gospel surrounded by food, conversation and prayer. This program is best for parishes that want to help its members grow in their conviction for their faith. Visit <https://rescueproject.us> for more information.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT HAVING A PROGRAM LAUNCHED AT YOUR PARISH,
CONTACT JOHN HICKEY AT 306-659-5847 OR [JHICKEY@RCDOS.CA](mailto:jhickey@rcdos.ca)

AWAKEN

FALL AWAKEN SESSIONS: "I BELIEVE"

Our Awaken Fall Sessions are focused on the Creed. Each session will provide an opportunity for participants to delve deeper into the foundational beliefs of their catholic faith, exploring the rich meanings of each part of the Creed.

Each session will help participants understand the Holy Trinity and eternal life.

Sessions will be in the Catholic Pastoral Center Library on the following dates:

October 7th: The Father Almighty
October 14th: The Only Begotten Son
October 21st: The Holy Spirit
October 28th: Eternal Life

WINTER AWAKEN SESSIONS: "THE ART OF LISTENING"

The theme of the Awaken Winter Sessions is "The Art of Listening". Join us as we delve into the profound impact that deep and intentional listening can have on our lives and relationships. Over the course of four enlightening sessions, we will explore the foundational elements of listening, progressing through different levels, and finally, understanding listening in the context of our relationship with the Lord.

Sessions will be in the Catholic Pastoral Center Library on the following dates:
January 27th: Intro to the Art of Listening
February 3rd: The Four Levels of Listening
February 10th: Listening to God in Scripture
February 17th: Listening to God in Adoration

FEMININE GENIUS IV

Uncover the essence of womanhood and be empowered to become who we are called to be.

Date: May 13th at The Cathedral of the Holy Family



ADVENT RETREAT: "REJOICE"

Rejoice is a retreat inspired in Philippians 4:4, which encourages us to "Rejoice in the Lord always." This retreat offers a unique opportunity for spiritual renewal. Participants will engage in a variety of enriching activities, including reflective prayer sessions, inspiring talks by Verbum Dei Sisters, and moments of silent contemplation.

Whether you are seeking personal growth or simply a time to pause and reflect, this retreat offers a transformative journey of faith and fellowship, preparing hearts for the celebration of Christmas.

Date: December 6th at The Cathedral of the Holy Family

LENTEN RETREAT: "MAN OF SORROWS"

"Man of Sorrows" is a diocesan Lenten Retreat. Inspired in Isaiah 53:3, often referenced for its depiction of the "Man of Sorrows". Participants are invited to explore the depths of sorrow and redemption. The retreat offers an environment where individuals can deepen their faith and understanding of the sacrifice made for humanity.

Through guided meditations and prayer, attendees will be encouraged to connect with their spirituality in meaningful ways in preparation for the Lenten season, fostering a sense of community and shared devotion.

Date: March 15th at The Cathedral of the Holy Family

FORMATION ON DISCERNMENT: "EXPERIENCING GOD IN THE UNEXPECTED"

Oftentimes, experiences of great conversions and healing happen in the most subtle and unexpected ways. Think about what happened to Moses when he saw the burning bush described in the Book of Exodus (3: 1-17). Moses' curiosity made him stop to find out more. That curiosity opened him up to encounter God in an unexpected way, giving him meaning and purpose in life.

Developing the habit of discernment in daily life and the practice of 'noticing' will help us to realize that every place we go and in every place we stand is HOLY GROUND. God is present right there and it is where the Lord dwells and where He wants to find us.

Dates: TBA

CALLED AND GIFTED

The Called & Gifted Discernment Process was developed by the Catherine of Siena Institute, designed to help Christians discern the presence of charisms in their lives. Charisms, or spiritual gifts, are special abilities given to all Christians by the Holy Spirit to give them power both to represent Christ and to be a channel of God's goodness for people. Whether extraordinary or ordinary, all charisms ought to be exercised in the service of God (CCC, 2003).

Called and Gifted will be offered three times:

St. Patrick's Parish Saskatoon:

Saturday October 4th, 9:00am - 5:30pm

St. Mary's Parish, Macklin:

Saturday November 1st, 9:00am - 5:30pm

St. Augustine Humboldt: Dates TBA

ENCOUNTER

Encounter Event: OASIS

"Oasis" is a diocesan adult faith formation event that centers around Eucharistic Adoration, providing a sacred time for deep reflection and encounter with the Lord. The night is enriched by worship, the opportunity for confession, and prayer, creating an environment where participants can find peace, healing, and spiritual refreshment.

Dedicated to all adult faith formation participants in our diocese, "Oasis" is a time to gather, share in the fruits of faith, and draw closer to God together.

Date: April 28th at The Cathedral of the Holy Family



NEW

RURAL CATECHESIS

Introducing The Office of Rural Catechesis. This new ministry, led by Quin Kleiboer, serves to fuel apostolic fervour in rural communities in the Diocese of Saskatoon by:

- Presenting and suggesting materials that parishes can use for catechesis,
- Increase rural catechesis capacity through the training of volunteers,
- Mentoring parishes that wish to adopt more intentional accompaniment and a greater missionary mindset,
- Building communication and connection between catechists and communities,
- To assist in any other way possible.

CATECHIST CONNECTION

Catechist Connection, formerly known as Catechist Coffee Break, is a one-hour digital gathering designed to build community and foster connections among catechists throughout the diocese. Each session includes a brief teaching on a relevant topic to enhance your ministry, followed by open discussion and the sharing of best practices. Together, we support and strengthen one another in our catechetical efforts.

You are invited to join us on the following dates: October 8th, November 5th, December 10th, January 14th, February 12th, March 18th, April 23^h, May 13th, and June 11th. Sessions are offered on those dates from 12:00pm - 1:00pm, or from 7:30pm - 8:30pm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RECEIVE THE MEETING LINK,
CONTACT QUIN KLEIBOER AT QKLEIBOER@RCDOS.CA OR AT 306-659-5857.



SACRAMENTAL PREP

In the Diocese of Saskatoon, the Sacraments of Initiation are celebrated in the following order: Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation. Children who are baptized as infants usually receive their First Eucharist around the age of 7 or 8 years. Part of the preparation for First Eucharist includes preparing for and celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation (first Confession). Grade 6 or age 11 has been established as the normative year for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Resources and support are available through the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis and Rural Catechesis Coordinator, Quin Kleiboer at qkleiboer@rcdos.ca 306-659-5867.

CONFIRMATION RETREATS

The Office of Evangelization & Catechesis will be partnering with FacetoFace Ministries again in 2026 to offer six Confirmation Retreats in both rural and urban parishes across the diocese. Details and registration info will be sent to parishes. If you have a child preparing for Confirmation, be sure to check in with your parish so your child does not miss out on a retreat! Dates: February 28th, March 1st, March 14th, March 15th, March 21st, and March 22nd.

RITE OF ELECTION

A celebration for Catechumens (the unbaptized), going through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The Candidates (the baptized) are welcome and encouraged to join the rest of the baptized in celebrating this rite with the Catechumens. Date: Sunday, February 22nd at 3:00pm, The Cathedral of the Holy Family.

CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass features the blessing of the sacred oils by the bishop – the Oil of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens, and the Sacred Chrism – for use in sacraments in the year ahead. The Chrism Mass is also a celebration marking the anniversary of the establishment of the ministerial priesthood, which includes a re-commitment to priestly service by priests. Date: Tuesday, March 31st at the The Cathedral of the Holy Family.

DIOCESAN CONGRESS

FALL CONGRESS SERIES

Fall Congress will be held over three dates – attend one, two or all three! To register or to view full itinerary, scan the QR code on p. 3

“The Peace of the Risen Christ Beckons us to be MISSIONARY DISCIPLES” (Pope Leo XIV)

Keynote Speaker is Jean-Paul de Fleuriet, Founder and Executive Director of Faith Room, a family-run ministry that provides leadership formation and faith support so all Catholics worldwide can find greater freedom in Christ, have the confidence to follow the calling that Jesus has placed on their hearts and become saints by the grace of God.

Date: Thursday Oct. 9th (9:00am - 3:30pm) The Cathedral of the Holy Family

THE HEART OF WORSHIP

“The Heart of Worship” with Cameron Turner & Jean-Paul de Fleuriet – a workshop for all Music Ministry teams and choirs. Date: Friday, October 10th (7:00pm - 9:30 pm) at St. Anne’s Parish (217 Lenore Drive).

INTENTIONAL ACCOMPANIMENT

A one-day introduction presented by Diocesan Mission Leader, John Hickey and Christy Dupuis, Catholic Christian Outreach. Learn an approach to Intentional Accompaniment, to become a leader equipped for mission.

Date: Thursday, October 16th (9:00 - 4:00pm) at The Cathedral of the Holy Family.

SPRING CONGRESS

Our Spring Congress series will be held on March 11th and 12th at The Cathedral of the Holy Family. Details and registration to be announced. If you would like to be notified when this info becomes available, please email mjackson@rcdos.ca

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON BAPTISM, RCIA, OR MARRIAGE PREP, PLEASE CONTACT
YOUR PARISH OR MARILYN JACKSON AT 306-659-5836 OR MJACKSON@RCDOS.CA

MARRIAGE & FAMILY

The Office of Marriage and Family supports families at various stages of marriage and family life, as well as parishes who minister to families. A diocesan Marriage Formation Curriculum, created in 2022 is available to all parishes and resource couples. Training, support and materials are available for resource couples, parishes and pastors. For more information, contact Marilyn Jackson 306-659-5836 or mjackson@rcdos.ca

FROM MOURNING TO DAWN

From Mourning to Dawn is an inter-denominational grief support program for widows and widowers. It is an eight-week journey of transformation and healing, offering support and encouragement for bereaved spouses, led by those who have also experienced this loss. For more information or to register, please contact Dianna Knaus at dknaus@sasktel.net or 306-382-0535. Sessions are held in the fall and the spring

Grief support for families who have lost children from pregnancy through to adulthood will be offered through From Mourning to Dawn in the same eight-week format but focuses exclusively on the loss of a child. For more information, please contact Monique & Ryan LeBlanc at westcoastleblancs@gmail.com or 306-850-1596. Scan QR code on p. 3 to register.

Dates: Sessions are on Thursday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30pm for eight consecutive weeks from October 2nd to November 20th.

From Mourning to Dawn – St. Augustine Parish in Humboldt, SK is offering this grief program, open to those who have been bereaved between two months to three years. Facilitators, who have all experienced the death of a spouse, will engage with participants on a journey of healing, offering support and encouragement. Cost is \$25 (book). For more information or to register contact Irene at (306) 682-3383 or Dave at (306) 682-5108. **Dates:** Sessions are on Thursday afternoons from 2:30 - 4:30pm for eight consecutive weeks from October 2nd to November 20th.

ANEW – LIFE AFTER DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

A 13 week program for anyone going through the painful experience of separation or divorce. Participants meet once a week to reflect on and discuss topics outlined in a handbook. **Dates:** Anew meets every second Wednesday, at 7:00pm, starting September 24th until April 2nd.

ALPHA MARRIAGE

The Marriage Course is a practical seven-session course designed to support couples looking for practical support to strengthen their relationship. in a date-night setting. Contact Daniel Pettipas from St Anne's Parish at dpettipas@rcdos.ca for more information on the next MC session.

RUN 40

Challenge yourself this Lent with the Lenten 40, a 40-km relay run/walk along the river in Saskatoon held on the Saturday before Holy Week. Sign up as a team of two, three, or four. Meditate on the suffering of Jesus and think of the Via Dolorosa (the path Jesus took on his way to the crucifixion, often translated to "the way of suffering"). Whether you're an avid runner or have never run before, this is about showing up and giving it all to God. Package pick-up and prayer at 8:00am, and the run begins at 9:00 am. from the Cathedral at the corner of Attridge Drive and Forestry Farm Park Drive.

Date: March 28th.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT WEEKEND

Discover the Power. Rekindle the Fire. Live the Adventure. Join us for a transformative retreat where hearts are awakened and faith comes alive! Whether you're seeking a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit or just curious about what a Spirit-filled life looks like - this weekend is for you!

Two Tracks, One Mission: Encounter the Holy Spirit

- Youth (Gr 5-8) at The Cathedral of the Holy Family – Led by the dynamic team from Jesus Youth
- Adults (High School & Up) at St. Anne's Parish – Featuring keynote speaker Chris Keyes, VP of Catholic Christian Outreach

Don't miss this chance to ignite your faith and step into something extraordinary!

Date: Both events occur January 16-17th.

WOMEN'S SILENT RETREATS

Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius with Fr. Kenneth Leblanc, LC at St Peter's Abbey, Muenster Hosted by Regnum Christi Saskatoon. Contact Jackie Saretsky - (306)-292-5531 **Dates:** February 6-8th or March 20-22th

MINISTRY TO MEN: PRIEST, PROPHET, KING

Priest: bi-weekly bible study on Wednesday evenings
Prophet: monthly speaker series, also including Adoration & Mass
King: weekly small groups for fellowship, formation, & mentoring. Find out more at holyfamilycathedral.ca/ppk

TIME OUT FOR MOMS (TOFM)

TOFM is a Catholic enrichment group for women and mothers of all ages, featuring weekly gatherings of women from many parishes held at the The Cathedral of the Holy Family. Childcare and breakfast are provided as enriching presentations and socializing happen in a relaxed and welcoming setting. Find out more or register at: www.tofm.ca
Fall Session: October 15th, October 29th, November 5th, November 12th, November 19th, November 26th.



JUSTICE & PEACE

WHAT IS RETURN TO SPIRIT?

Come find out what all the hype has been about! Past participants and staff will be present to share and answer questions on how this program can offer renewed hope, powerful personal transformation, plus tools for effective dialogue whether in your own family or the community that surrounds you.

Date: September 23rd at the The Cathedral of the Holy Family from 6:30pm - 8:00pm.

RETURN TO SPIRIT ADVANCING RECONCILIATION

Return to Spirit Advancing Reconciliation is intended for anyone who has previously taken a Return to Spirit Roots of Reconciliation Workshop at anytime or location. Cost per participant is \$120 which includes lunch and refreshments each day.

Dates: November 7th-10th.

PARISH TRC COMMITTEE GATHERINGS

These ongoing gatherings are especially targeted for parishes who have, are beginning, or would like to increase networks with other parishes to advance TRC efforts. For smaller parishes who may not have the capacity to create a TRC committee, the event is an opportunity to draw attention to what opportunities might be available for your faith community to join the church in this historic journey. A meal will be provided for participants at no cost.

Dates: September 25th & April 23rd from 5:30 - 7:00pm at the The Cathedral of the Holy Family.

THE MIRACLE OF THE 5000 & THE STRENGTH OF RWANDA

Come find out about how a small group of Saskatchewan farmers and donors have helped feed over 800 million people in 8 years through Grow Hope SK. With fresh memories of the first Grow Hope learning tour in Rwanda Myron Rogal will share stories of hope, resilience and beauty. We will offer an opportunity to grow in solidarity and recognize the gifts that our neighbours near or far bring to us. For more information, visit www.growhopesk.ca

Dates: October 16th, 6:30pm - 7:30pm at the Catholic Pastoral Centre Library.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY JUSTICE AND PEACE EVENTS, OR TO RSVP, CONTACT MYRON ROGAL AT 306-659-5841 OR MROGAL@RCDOS.CA.

RED WEDNESDAY

Red Wednesday is an international day of prayer, action, and awareness about the persecution of Christians around the world. Be RED, Wear RED, Light RED - With the establishment of Red Wednesday, the international Catholic aid organization Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) has drawn attention to the fate of millions of persecuted Christians worldwide. Since Red Wednesday was established, in many countries around the world, cathedrals, churches, monasteries, monuments, and public buildings are illuminated in blood red around this day. Make a statement and take part by wearing red, learning more, and praying for those who are persecuted for their faith. Join us for a one-hour ecumenical prayer service. Local Christian leaders will be present to pray and reflect during the service. Everyone is welcome!

Date: Wednesday, November 19th, at 7:00pm.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

The Downtown Outdoor Good Friday Way of the Cross in Saskatoon is an opportunity to pray and reflect on the scriptural way of the cross written by St. John Paul II while walking through the streets of downtown Saskatoon. Reflections at each station about Christ's passion and suffering in our world will be shared by churches and local organizations. Pilgrims are asked to gather in front of the King's Bench Courthouse at 520 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon at 9:45am.

Date: The event begins at 10:00am. Good Friday, April 3rd, and runs until approximately 11:45am.

CONTINUING THE WALK

Exploring the relationship between local Indigenous spiritualities and the Catholic faith. Spring of 2026. Stay tuned for further details!

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

HOPE IN HEALTHCARE

Are you a Catholic healthcare professional striving to live out your faith in your career? The Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan, in partnership with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, offers support in an evening of fellowship to explore the challenges and opportunities in living our vocations in a healthcare environment that includes practices such as euthanasia (MAID). Contact hope@chassk.ca for more information and meeting times.

Date: Our next Hope in Healthcare meeting is Tuesday, September 23rd from 7:00 - 8:30pm.

HORIZONS OF HOPE: A TOOLKIT FOR CATHOLIC PARISHES ON PALLIATIVE CARE

A four-module workshop created by the Catholic Bishops of Canada. This workshop was created to empower and educate parishioners and address questions about palliative care, death, suffering and bereavement. Contact the parish office for more details.

Date: Next workshop is at St. Patrick's Church on September 27th.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT JACQUELINE SARETSKY AT JSARETSKY@RCDOS.CA OR CALL 306-659-5839

PRISON MINISTRY

BEDTIME STORIES

A project designed to help men in prison stay connected to family. A dad in prison is videotaped reading a bedtime story, which is then sent to his children in a donated backpack containing donated pyjamas, the book and the video of Dad. This gift helps to strengthen parenting skills and foster stronger family connections.

Volunteers are needed for Urban Camp, Tuesday Night Bible Study. Training and support provided.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT DIANNE ANDERSON AT DANDERSON@RCDOS.CA OR (306) 659-5845.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

PROJECT TIMOTHY

Project Timothy is a year-long journey blends faith, leadership, and purpose for young adults who want to grow in their relationship with Christ and make an impact. The first half starts with Activate, a hands-on course that builds confidence in sharing your faith and strengthens your calling as a Christian Leader. The second half dives into our Rule of Life Series, where you'll form meaningful habits that will help you get to grow in your relationship with Jesus and shape you into the person God's calling you to be. Along the way, you'll build genuine, lasting friendships with other young Catholics who are walking a similar path. The program runs from October until June on a bi-weekly basis. Contact John at jhickey@rcdos.ca or check out our page at <https://rcdos.ca/youth>.

SAINT THOMAS MORE CAMPUS MINISTRY

STM Campus Ministry is the Catholic pastoral team housed at St. Thomas More College. We minister to students, faculty, and staff on the USask Campus. We offer confidential listening, spiritual, and personal guidance to students, faculty, and staff of all backgrounds. Join us for liturgies, Sacraments, community prayer, bible study, retreats, Theology on Tap, Ted Talk Time, Social Justice Events, and more. Visit www.stmcollege.ca/campus-ministry for more information.



MARY'S HOUSE

Mary's House is a ministry of accompaniment for women on their discernment journey, provided by the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary. We offer retreats, small group sessions, spiritual accompaniment and live-in experiences. Contact Sr. April at april mireau@gmail.com for more information.

Explore the Call: a one day retreat for young adults

Dates: October 4th and November 15th

Come and See: a three day live-in retreat for young adults

Date: November 7th - 10th

Stepping Stones: a small group discernment process

In person: September 30th, October 28th, November 25th at 7:00pm

Zoom: October 2nd, October 30th, November 7th at 7:00pm

CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

Catholic Christian Outreach is a university student movement dedicated to evangelization. We challenge young adults to live in the fullness of the Catholic faith with a strong emphasis on becoming leaders in the renewal of the world. We are one of the largest clubs at the U of S. We host regular social and spiritual events, small group faith studies, and provide volunteering opportunities and for growing personally and spiritually. We want to help you get the most out of your university experience. Email usask@cco.ca for more information.

STS. BENEDICT AND SCHOLASTICA FORMATION

The Sts. Benedict and Scholastica Formation Program exists to provide excellent academic, human, and spiritual formation for young men and women who have discerned a vocational pathway to the priesthood, religious life, or towards a professional lay ecclesial minister-leader. The academic formation program, which results in a Bachelor of Arts degree with a Philosophy major, fulfills the requirements for admittance to various Master of Theology programs, including the Masters of Divinity. The program aims to form young adults Catholics in pursuing holiness while living in the world. It consists of academic formation through Saint Thomas More College, and spiritual, human and pastoral formation, which is provided through community living, prayer, and training in our house of formation. For information, contact Sr. Malou at mtibayan@rcdos.ca.

ST. THERESE INSTITUTE OF FAITH & MISSION

St. Therese Institute of Faith and Mission is a Catholic post-secondary institution that provides excellence in Catholic faith formation for young adults (ages 18-35) according to the life and teachings of St. Thérèse of Lisieux. While at St. Therese, students engage in deep friendships with other young Catholics, are given opportunities to encounter the love of Christ, and study and learn about their Catholic faith. St. Therese seeks to provide students with a formation experience that includes the physical, spiritual, emotional, social, and intellectual aspects of the person. For more information about St. Therese Institute, visit www.StTherese.ca/learnmore. In addition, St. Therese offers several events throughout the year open to the general public, including Advent and Lenten conferences, as well as several week-long courses in the spring. You can check our events page regularly for details. www.StTherese.ca/events.

YOUTH PROGRAMS & EVENTS

YOUTH PROGRAMMING AT ST AUGUSTINE

Contact amiller@rcdos.ca for more info. Servants4Christ (Gr 4-8): is a monthly gathering where kids will learn about their faith, play fun games, and make connections with other kids. Meetings will be on the second Saturday of the month from 3:15pm - 3:45pm.

Kids4Christ (K-Gr 3): This year, kids will be doing a series, learning about Catholic Saints. Kids4Christ occurs on the third Saturday of each month starting September, from 3:15pm - 4:45pm.

Teens4Christ (Gr 9-12): This year, we will be doing the Youth Alpha program, which will give a great opportunity for the teens to explore their faith and develop lasting friendships.

YOUTH PROGRAMMING AT THE CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Contact conchita@holyfamilycathedral.ca for more info.

Heart2Heart (Gr 6-8) - 7:00pm - 9:00pm - Every 3rd Thursday of the month beginning October.

SoulFood (Gr 9-12) - 7:00pm - 9:00pm - Every 4th Tuesday of the month beginning September.

Kids4Christ (K-Gr 5) - Monthly 6:30pm - 8:00pm starting October. Check for updates on the website.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (MARTENSVILLE) YOUTH PROGRAMMING

Contact pgeorge@rcdos.ca for more info. Junior Youth Nights (Gr 6-9) occur twice a month from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. Senior Youth Nights and Small Groups (Gr 10-12).

ST ANNE'S YOUTH PROGRAMMING:

Contact cleyne@rcdos.ca for more info. Kids4Christ (K -Gr 5): Monthly (Mondays) 6:00pm - 7:30pm.

Junior Youth Nights (Gr 6-8) occur twice a month (Tuesdays) from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. Fall Kickoff is Saturday September 27th at 6:00pm.

CHALLENGE AND CONQUEST

Conquest and Challenge are local programs for boys and girls in grades 3-12 that form adolescents as Catholic leaders to transform culture. They do this through a virtue-based curriculum, teen-led, gender-specific, team-based, and service-driven program, which is offered on Friday evenings. For information on Conquest contact Daryl at 306-290-6677. For information on Challenge, email skchallengegirls@gmail.com.

SEARCH (Gr. 10-12)

Ready for a weekend that could change your life? SEARCH isn't your average retreat. It's a place to explore your faith, connect with real people, and figure out what it means to be a young Christian today. You'll make new friends, dive into honest conversations, and experience moments that truly matter.

We've got music, games, small group hangouts, time for reflection, and powerful talks — all led by a team of teens and young adults from our community who get what you're going through.

Our next SEARCH is November 8-10th Curious? Find out more at

www.saskatoonsearch.ca

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

A Montessori-based, retreat-like experience for children in our diocese. Children experience the love of the Good Shepherd in an environment specially prepared to meet their spiritual and physical needs. Currently, All Saints Atrium at St Philip Neri Parish Saskatoon offers Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children 3-12 years of age. The Trinity Atrium in Vonda offers atrium for children 3-6 years of age. For further information please contact Cynthia Foster at lc.foster@sasktel.net in Saskatoon or Lisette Fontaine at lisettefontaine@hotmail.com or (306) 258-2212 in Vonda. Visit <https://www.cgsac.ca> for more information.

CAT.CHAT PRODUCTIONS

Cat Chat has six Catholic Vacation Bible School programs. Visit www.catchat.ca for all their resources.

FACETOFACE MINISTRIES

UNITED CONFERENCE (GR. 9-12)

October 25-26th at The Cathedral of the Holy Family. This conference is a two-day event with the purpose of uniting, supporting and challenging high school youth in their faith.

ELEVATE CONFERENCE (GR. 6-8)

January 24th at The Cathedral of the Holy Family. This conference is a one-day event mid-way through the school year that exists to encourage middle school youth in their faith.

DEPTHS RETREATS (GR. 9-12)

March 22-23rd at St. Anne's Parish. Depths Weekend retreats offer an opportunity for engaged Catholic youth to practically strengthen and empower an already existing relationship with Jesus and reconnect with their community of friends.

IGNITE (GR 9-12)

July 14-19 (Week 1)

July 28-August 2 (Week 2)

August 11-16 (Week 3)

Ignite summer camp provides high school youth an amazing week-long experience of outrageous fun with friends while deepening a meaningful relationship with Jesus.

IGNITE JUNIOR (GR 6-8)

2026 Dates TBD. In recent years, F2F Ministries has expanded to offer more programs for middle school youth. Ignite Junior is a three day day-camp that introduces youth to a relationship with Jesus and offers a chance for outrageous fun with friends!

F2F NIGHTS (GR. 6-8)

Monthly youth gathering on Thursdays starting October 3rd from 7:00pm - 9:00pm. holyfamilycathedral.ca/youth.

ANCHOR (GR 9-12)

This bi-weekly intentional discipleship program based in Saskatoon for grades 9-12. The goal is to provide a transformational year for youth by forming them as leaders in the Church through faith and leadership formation sessions.

SCHOOL RETREATS

F2F Ministries has two-person travelling retreat teams that offer youth school retreats across Western Canada. Contact your school admin to book F2F Ministries for your child's school!

Visit <http://facetofaceministries.ca> to register for any of their events.



Aspire to great things, to holiness, wherever you are. Do not settle for less. You will then see the light of the Gospel growing every day, in you and around you

Pope Leo XIV's homily during Mass concluding the Jubilee of Youth Aug. 3, 2025

PILGRIMAGES

Each year, hundreds of faithful from across the Diocese of Saskatoon gather for Catholic pilgrimages: sacred journeys to holy sites in our local towns that offer a powerful opportunity for prayer, reflection, and renewal. A pilgrimage is more than just travel; it's a spiritual adventure that invites us to step away from the noise of everyday life and walk with purpose toward deeper communion with God. Whether you're seeking healing, discernment, or simply a moment of peace, these pilgrimages are a chance to encounter grace in a tangible way—surrounded by community, tradition, and the beauty of our faith. Explore the dates and locations below, and consider joining one of these unforgettable experiences.

GROSSWERDER PILGRIMAGE

Annual Procession and Mass at the historic St. Anthony Church Grosswerder, SK in the western region of the diocese is traditionally held on the Feast Day of St. Anthony of Padua, with blessing at the cemetery and procession followed by Mass. For more information, please contact St. Mary Parish, Macklin, SK, at (306)-753-2063.

● **Date:** June 13th

BLUMENFELD PILGRIMAGE

The church and pilgrimage site at Blumenfeld, SK is located on the 10-acre site are the two-story, wood-framed church, Sts. Peter and Paul, built in 1915; and a fieldstone grotto shrine, which features a replica "La Pieta" sculpture dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows, built in 1936. Closed as an active parish in 1964, the Blumenfeld church has continued to serve as a gathering place for the region as the site of the annual pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of the Sorrows. The Blumenfeld Pilgrimage Site is located 16 km south and 6 km east of Leader, SK, just off Hwy 21.

● **Date:** June 14th

REWARD PILGRIMAGE

The Holy Rosary Church building was constructed in 1918. The "church on the hill" is a designated historic site, and features 15 large paintings completed in 1928 by Count Berthold Von Imhoff, depicting the Mysteries of the Rosary. The Holy Rosary Shrine and Church at Reward, SK is located 3 kilometres south of the hamlet of Reward, SK.

● **Date:** TBD

ST LAURENT PILGRIMAGE

The St. Laurent Shrine, known also as the Our Lady of Lourdes – St. Laurent Shrine, is of heritage value for the many religious miracles which are reported to have occurred here. Built in 1884, the historic Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at St. Laurent is located 12 km directly east of Duck Lake on grid road; or take the road east from the statue landmark on Highway 11.

Visit <https://www.saintlaurentshrine.com> for more information.

● **Date:** July 15-16th

MOUNT CARMEL PILGRIMAGE

The annual pilgrimage takes place on the fields with the Blessed Sacrament from the top of Mount Carmel hill, beneath the statue of Our Lady and the Child Jesus. The pilgrimage site was dedicated in 1922 with the statue being erected in 1928. The picturesque Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, SK is located about 5.2 km north of Carmel, SK (west of Humboldt).

● **Date:** July 19th

ST. PHILOMENA PILGRIMAGE: WALKING PILGRIMAGE FROM ST MARY PARISH (YORKTON) TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES SHRINE (RAMA)

Day 1 - St. Mary's Parish, Yorkton to the Springside Apostolic Bible Camp 24 km

Day 2 - Springside Apostolic Bible Camp to Burgis Beach Hall, 30 km

Day 3 - Burgis Beach to the village of Buchanan 29 km

Day 4 - Buchanan to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Rama 21 km

Visit <https://www.stphilomena.ca> home for more information. Please note that the schedule is subject to minor changes.

● **Dates:** August 11 - 14th

81ST ANNUAL RAMA PILGRIMAGE

Built in 1939, the Shrine is a replica of the world-famous Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in France. 1945: The first Pilgrimage took place August 14-15, 1945. The Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine site is located at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 104 – 1st St N, Rama, SK – which is east of Wadena on Highway 5.

● **Date:** August 14th - 15th

ADORATION & PRAYER NIGHTS

SOURCE

Third Friday of the month from 7:00pm - 8:30pm at St. Anne's Parish. Evening includes musical Adoration, a reflection, and confession available.

BELOVED

First Friday of the month at the The Cathedral of the Holy Family from 6:45pm - 9:00pm. Evening includes musical Adoration, a reflection, prayer ministry, and confession available.

ENCOUNTER

The second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the The Cathedral of the Holy Family from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. An evening of musical adoration.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Every Monday at Sacred Heart Parish in Davidson beginning at 7:00pm in the Church. Contact Brian Hanson (306)-252-3314.

CENTRING PRAYER

Every Wednesday at St Anne's beginning at 3:15pm in the Living Room.

DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS

First Tuesday of each month. St. Paul's Co-Cathedral at 7:45pm. The devotion consists of the Chaplet to the Holy Face, and prayers of reparation, followed by a time of personal meditation.

LECTIO DIVINA

Fourth Saturday of each month at 1:00pm at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral. *Lectio Divina* is an opportunity to prayerfully read the Sunday readings in a small group setting. Bring your Bible, favourite Bible app, or Living with Christ.

CONTEMPLATIVE MASS

Led by Fr. Kevin McGee, is held at 5:00pm on the First Friday of each month 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, designated to allow space for reflection and recognition of the intimate presence of Christ who comes to us through scripture and the Eucharist.

NIGHT PRAYER CENACLE

Every Monday night at 7:00pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish (Martensville). In a number of her apparitions the Blessed Virgin Mary has asked the faithful to form prayer cenacles to pray for the conversion of souls and healing for a hurting world. Come join us to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Those attending will have the opportunity to ask for prayers for their personal intentions.

WEEKLY ADORATION TIMES (SASKATOON):

St. Paul Co-Cathedral
Wednesday: 1:00pm - 5:00pm

St. Philip Neri
Monday: 6:00pm - 10:00pm (except for long weekends)

St. Anne
Wednesday: 9:00am - 9:00pm

St. Augustine
Tuesday: 7:00pm - 8:00pm (not July or August)

Holy Spirit
Friday: 9:00am - 12:00 noon
Sunday: 1:00pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday: 7:00pm - 8:00pm (not July or August)

St. John Bosco
Thursday: 10:00am - 1:00pm

Our Lady of Lourdes
Thursday: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

St. Joseph
Friday: 4:00pm - 5:15pm

MONTHLY ADORATION TIMES

First Monday
Sts-Martyrs-Canadiens: 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Third Wednesday
St. Francis Xavier: 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Second Thursday
St. Philip Neri: 8:30am - 6:00pm

Third Thursday
St. John Bosco: 7:30am - 6:00pm

First Friday
St. Michael: 10:00am - 5:00pm
The Cathedral of the Holy Family:
6:45pm - 9:00pm

First Saturday
St. Mary: 9:30am - 10:30am

ADORATION (RURAL)
St Augustine (Humboldt)
Tuesday: 7:30pm - 8:30pm
Friday: 8:30am - 9:00am
(First Friday: 8:30am - 8:30pm)

Immaculate Heart of Mary
(Martensville)
Thursday: 6:00 - 7:00pm
First Friday of month: 9:00am





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