



Diocesan Bulletin

Nov. 16, 2025 - 33rd 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

Solidarity Walk - The STM Just Youth Group is holding a Solidarity Walk on Campus, **Monday, Nov 17**, starting at 1:30 p.m. to spread awareness of unjust debt, learn more about how to help to change unjust debt systems, and how to repay ecological debt to the Global South. The walk is a part of the Development and Peace 'Turn Debt into Hope' Fall Campaign. All are invited join STM Just Youth on this walk. Meet in St. Thomas More College Room 160 (at the back of the STM cafeteria), 1437 College Drive, Saskatoon.

Red Wednesday Nov. 19 is a day of prayer, action, and awareness about Christian persecution around the world. The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon will co-host an ecumenical Red Wednesday prayer service 7 p.m. **Nov. 19**, held at Holy Covenant Evangelical Orthodox Church at 1426 Alexandra Ave, Saskatoon. Refreshments will follow the service – to assist organizers in planning the reception, RSVP online: <https://form.jotform.com/253086774362262> or contact diocesan Justice and Peace Coordinator Myron Rogal at mrogal@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5841. (*Justice and Peace is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

Talking Circle - St. John Bosco Truth and Reconciliation Committee and Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish invite everyone to a Talking Circle, a space rooted in Indigenous tradition where every voice is valued and the truth is spoken with compassion. Talking Circles will continue at 6:30 p.m. **Nov. 20** at St. John Bosco, 1202 Ave. O South, Saskatoon and 6 p.m. **Nov. 27** at Guadalupe House, 426 Ave. J South.

"I Believe" with Fr. Geoffrey Young will be on YouTube, concluding a seven-part catechetical series on the Nicene Creed in the Archdiocese of Edmonton, Alberta. His presentation on "I confess one baptism" will be live-streamed **Nov. 20** at www.youtube.com/@ArchEdmonton/streams beginning at 8 p.m. Saskatchewan Time (7 p.m. in Alberta) and will be archived afterwards. Fr. Geoffrey Young is an incardinated priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, ordained June 10, 2011, who continues to serve as chair of the Saskatoon diocese's Liturgical Commission. Since August 2023, he has been a member of the formation team for St. Joseph Seminary and the full-time academic faculty of Newman Theological College in Edmonton, AB.



*Icon of the Sacred Heart 2017
written by Andre J. Prevost in
collaboration with Romeo
Crow Chief of Siksika Nation.*

Indigenous Pastoral & Lay Leader Ministry Education

The diocesan **Indigenous Pastoral & Lay Leader Ministry Education** (IPL) program is led by teams of Indigenous and non-Indigenous instructors, modelling respectful and reconciling relationships. The online courses have been developed in response to the TRC Calls to Action for churches.

Course 1: Introduction to Indigenous Studies Jan. 6 to March 3, 2026

Held online from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays
REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Cost: \$200 per course (some funding assistance available)
*Those completing first four courses of the diocesan
IPL program will earn a ministry certificate.*

Information and Registration:

rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education

Questions? Contact: programs@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5844.

Food for body, mind and soul: A Development and Peace – Caritas Canada (DPCC) Grow Hope potluck supper will be held at 5:30 p.m. **Friday, Nov. 21** at Saint Anne Catholic Church, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. Bring your favourite dish to share and learn more about how Grow Hope Saskatchewan is helping to end hunger in countries around the world. Followed by the Source prayer night.

World Youth Day in the Diocese - Bishop Mark Hagemoen will celebrate Mass for "World Youth Day" on **Christ the King Sunday, Nov. 23** at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd., Saskatoon. All are welcome! (The Mass will also be live-streamed at <https://saskatoonmass.com>). Each year on Christ the King Sunday, dioceses around the world unite in prayer and celebration—connected spiritually to millions of youth and young adults journeying in faith across the globe. This year's theme is "You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me" - *John 15:27. (Youth and young adult ministry is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)*

Message Board

Ecumenical Lunch and Learn Series about the various ecumenical ministries and initiatives in our community, will be held from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. **Wednesday, Nov. 19** at St. Martin United Church, 2617 Clarence Ave. S., Saskatoon, featuring a presentation about L'Arche Saskatoon. Lunch is provided (free-will offering) – RSVP to assist in lunch planning: admin@pcecumenism.ca or call (306) 653-1633. (*Ecumenism is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

A Holly Jolly Fair will be presented by the St. Bruno Catholic Women's League (CWL) 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Saturday, Nov. 22** at St. Bruno Parish Hall, 700 Kirby Street, Bruno, SK. Vendors will be selling home-based crafts, baking, books, honey products, jewelry, stocking stuffers, etc. Soup and a bun lunch available for purchase; craft and bake table; 50/50 draws, and door prizes. Free admission.

Lectio Divina: Bible prayer session on the Sunday readings will be held 1 p.m. **Saturday, Nov. 23** at St Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cres., Saskatoon. Bring your Bible or Bible app or Living With Christ. For more information contact Sr. Marlene, MACE, at: smarlene@sasktel.net.

Abortion Recovery Care Talking Circle 7 p.m. **Nov. 26:** Abortion is a complicated topic physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Silence for many is the only option. If abortion is part of your story either directly or as a partner or support person, this is a safe place for an evening of talking or just listening. (Information available about healing programs offered one-to-one or group formats.) Contact Saskatoon Pregnancy Options Support Centre for more info about the Nov. 26 Abortion Recovery Care Talking Circle: (306) 665-7550 or contact@saskatoonpregnancyoptions.com.

St. Philip Neri Parish Fair Trade sale in support of refugee sponsorships: To order certified fair trade products, including coffee, tea, chocolate, dried fruit, cocoa, cane sugar, and more, please contact sheila.flory@usask.ca for more information, or phone (306) 931-8053. Items must be pre-ordered by 4 p.m., **Nov. 27**. Pick up date for orders is Saturday, Dec. 13 from 1 to 3 p.m., at St. Philip Neri Church, 1902 Munroe Ave S, Saskatoon, or after Mass Dec. 13-14.

Men's Spiritual Exercises (SPEX 2025) is a 40-hour, silent, Ignatian retreat for men **Nov. 28 to 30** at St. Peter's Abbey in Muenster, SK, hosted by the Regina Regnum Christi Men's group. Retreat facilitator/leader will be Fr. Kenneth Leblanc, LC. Includes opportunities for reflection and contemplation, spiritual direction, celebration of the Eucharist, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction and prayer. Retreat fees of \$325 paid prior to Sunday, Nov. 23 will secure a spot. Questions or payment via e-transfer (preferred method) can be sent to mark.joubert@sasktel.net.



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Synod on Synodality Implementing a SYNODAL WAY of Proclaiming Christ and God's Kingdom Today

Synod Implementation in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon was recently launched by Bishop Mark Hagemoen. "Synodality is a process in the Catholic Church described as walking wisely together through mutual listening, dialogue and discernmentto determine God's will for us. And we don't just do that personally, we do that together. It is a way that the Church's members – laity, priests, bishops – everybody – participate in the Church's mission and discern God's will through the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Synodality involves spiritual renewal and structural reform – in other words it affects structures and the way we organize things — with the goal of helping the church be participatory and missionary."

- Bishop Mark Hagemoen

Homily at Closing Mass of Search Retreat, Nov. 9, 2025

Find the bishop's letter, the Final Document from the Synod of Bishops, and guidelines for the Synod Implementation, along with a video at:

<https://rcdos.ca/synod>

Theology on Tap for young adults 19+ will feature Bishop Michael Smolinski of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon, 5 p.m. **Friday, Nov 28** at Louis' on Campus. Everyone is welcome.

Blankets needed: Mission and Outreach Ministry at St. Mary Parish in Saskatoon is seeking donations of blankets, new or gently-used for those sleeping on the streets, as well as parkas, toques, mittens, etc. E-mail jnunes@rcdos.ca or --www.stmarysoureach.com.

Diocesan Prayer: We pray as a diocesan family for all those suffering loss, experiencing struggles or coping with disaster. May a community of caring and support always come through to help those who are suffering.

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