




Diocesan Bulletin

March 8, 2026 - Third Sunday of Lent

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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

Mission Discernment Night for Young Adults Ages 16 to 29 years: An introduction to NET Canada and its mission year will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. **Sunday, March 8** at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. NET Canada forms and sends teams of young adults to share their Catholic faith in schools and parishes across the country. Find more information about NET Canada at: www.netcanada.ca/apply.

A Women's Evening of Adoration and Confession will be held at 7 p.m. **Monday, March 9** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon.

Ecumenical Lenten Morning Worship: Prairie Centre for Ecumenism presents a series of Ecumenical Lenten services followed by a continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. on **March 11, 18, and 25**, hosted by a different denomination each week, all services held at St. Martin's United Church, 2617 Clarence Ave. South, Saskatoon. All are welcome.

Adoration at St. Paul's Hospital: Join in prayer before the Tabernacle from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. **every Friday in Lent** at St. Paul's Hospital Chapel, Third Floor of B Wing, 1702-20th Street West, Saskatoon. All are welcome to join in this time of prayer for Catholic health care.

An Evening Retreat and Enrolment into the Angelic Warfare Confraternity will be held at 7 p.m. **Wednesday, March 18** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon. Come and join a confraternity of chastity. All current members of the confraternity are encouraged to attend the retreat.

St. Patrick Fish Fry Fundraiser will be held **Friday, March 27** at the parish centre, 3339 Centennial Dr. Saskatoon. Doors open 5 p.m., supper at 5:30 p.m.. Tickets: \$25, free for children 12 years and under, presented by Knights of Columbus Council #8279; call Abel at (306) 717-3135 or purchase at parish office or after weekend Masses. The supper will be followed by a Bingo Night March 27 starting at 7 p.m.; 3 cards/\$10; 6 cards/\$15; or 9 cards/\$20; purchase from the parish office or after weekend Masses.



"Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening"

Spring Congress Circuit

March 11 at Holy Spirit, SASKATOON

April 18 at Sacred Heart, WATSON

April 25 at St. Joseph, KINDERSLEY

This year at each of the three locations, diocesan ministry coordinators present topics through the lens and practice of synodality; \$25.

Spring Congress is open to all those interested!

Registration: rcdos.ca/spring-congress-2026

Lenten Fish Fry at Cathedral: The Knights of Columbus Denis Mahoney Council presents a Lenten Fish Fry **Friday, March 27** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, with two seatings: 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Menu includes fresh steelhead trout, baked potatoes, French fries, coleslaw, and dessert. Tickets: \$35/adult and \$25/children 12 and under; beer and wine available for purchase. Proceeds will go towards the Bishop's Annual Appeal and Mission and Outreach Ministry at St. Mary Saskatoon. For tickets, contact Wayne Koshman at (306) 381-3330 or koshmanw@gmail.com or Rob Magnell at (306) 381-6766 or robert.magnell@sasktel.net.

Lenten 40 relay run connects the physical and the spiritual, held 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Saturday, March 28**. It starts from the Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon, featuring a 41.9-km course tackled by teams of two or four runners. Learn more about Lenten 40 and/or sign up at www.lenten40.com or for more information, contact lenten40km@gmail.com or (306) 717-8321.

Message Board

Call for Nominations: GSCS Board of Education byelection nominations are open until March 11 for a board member to fill one (1) vacant position as a Saskatoon member-at-large. **Election day is April 15, 2026.** Visit www.gscs.ca/elections for information and forms.

The 2026 Downtown Outdoor Good Friday Way of the Cross is in need of volunteers as parade marshals, book-holders, cantors, and general support from 9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. **Good Friday, April 3, 2026.** Sign up and receive further info by contacting Myron Rogal, mrogal@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5841. (*Justice and Peace is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

The Indigenous Pastoral and Lay Leader Ministry Education (IPL) Program was developed to deepen understanding of the history of Indigenous Peoples and the Catholic Church as a response to the TRC Calls to Action. The next course will be held 7 p.m. Tuesdays, **April 14 to June 9** (\$200). Find more information and registration at: rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education.

Pro-life petition – The advocacy group “RightNow” has launched a petition calling on the Prime Minister and Parliament of Canada to pass legislation to protect pre-born children by restricting late-term abortions after 20 weeks of pregnancy: www.itstartsrightnow.ca/undercover.

“On Track for Justice” - Development and Peace-Caritas Canada (DPCC): Lent is a time of fasting, prayer and sharing. It is also an opportunity to be in solidarity with those in the Global South. The 2026 Share Lent campaign, “On Track for Justice” is underway. Walk hand-in-hand with communities working for justice, peace and dignity. How? Donate online at <https://devp.org/en/make-a-donation/> or during the Solidarity Sunday Share Lent collection March 22, to help support over 59 projects in 34 countries around the world. Find Share Lent information and materials online at devp.org/lent/resources.

“Radiant With Him” Women’s Retreat April 17-18 hosted at St. John Bosco Parish, 1202 Avenue O South, Saskatoon, will be held 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. **Friday, April 17** and 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Saturday April 18.** All women are invited to attend to encounter God, build a Christ-centered community and radiate God’s glory. Register online at: <https://radiantwithhim.eventbrite.com>. Cost is \$60 for the full retreat, or \$15 for Friday only. For inquiries, contact Ruth Brown at (306) 227-7577.

Diocesan Prayer - Lord, we pray for peace in our world: help leaders everywhere work for an end to war and violence.



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Confirmation Retreats 2026

Retreats for youth preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, with parishes and parents able to choose from dates and locations across the diocese:

- Sat. March 14 at St. Augustine Parish, **Humboldt**
- Sun. March 15 at St. Anne Parish, **Saskatoon**
- Sat. March 21 at Holy Spirit Parish, **Saskatoon**
- Sun. March 22 at St. Joseph Parish, **Kindersley**

Cost is \$20 each. All retreats are 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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The Bishop’s Dinner presented by the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation **Thursday April 30** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, will bring together great food, amazing music, and community support for ministries and meaningful causes. The 2026 event with Bishop Mark Hagemoen includes an after-dinner live concert featuring Catholic singer-songwriter Sarah Kroger, with ticket options either for the 7 p.m. concert only (\$50), or for the meal and concert together (\$225 with a partial tax receipt, with doors open at 4 p.m. and dinner by The Golden Pagoda at 5:15 p.m.). Learn more or get tickets at <https://dscf.ca/events/> (select “Bishop’s Dinner 2026”) or call (306) 659-5837.

Croatian Easter Gathering – Mass will be celebrated in the Croatian language at 5 p.m. on **Sunday, March 22** at Saint Philip Neri Parish, 1902 Munroe Ave. S. Saskatoon, celebrated by Fr. Domin Vladić from Calgary. An AGM will follow at 6 p.m., with a potluck afterward. Please bring a favorite dish to share and join in fellowship.

Are you hurting because of an abortion? Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. The next retreat will be held **April 24-26**. For information contact Elaine at 1-306-480-8911 or email: r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net.

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