




Diocesan Bulletin

April 12, 2026 - Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

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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

Anchor: Chronic Illness Prayer Support Group is a ministry for people living with chronic illness and their caregivers, which turns to God with gratitude and hope. Even when chronic illness is stabilized, there are always daily challenges. The next meeting is 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Monday, April 13** at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. For information or to register, please contact Dietta Todos at durr2todos@gmail.com.

The Indigenous Pastoral and Lay Leader Ministry Education Program (IPL) online course presents the next session "Indigenous Settler Relationship" **beginning Tuesday, April 14** for all those interested in deepening their understanding of the history of Indigenous Peoples and the Catholic Church as a response to the TRC Calls to Action. Held online Tuesdays 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. April 14 to June 9; cost is \$200 (bursaries may be available). Speakers include author Cort Dogneiz, a Métis man born and raised in Saskatoon who worked in the education field for 41 years, and Cristin Dorgan Lee, who presently serves as principal of St. Volodymyr Catholic School in Saskatoon, continuing to pursue her vocation as a Catholic Metis woman. Register: <https://rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education> or for more information call (306) 659-5844.

Alpha Marriage Course for all couples seeking to invest in and strengthen their relationship will be held Thursday evenings 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for seven sessions **April 16 to May 28** in the Fr. Donlevy Hall of Saint Anne Catholic Church, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. Includes inspiring video presentations, private discussion with just your spouse, and delicious desserts! Register online at <https://saintannes.ca/the-marriage-course/> or contact Erin Hickey at ehickey@rcdos.ca for more information.

Spring Congress: "Speak Lord! Your Servant is Listening" diocesan gathering will be presented 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on **Saturday, April 18 in Watson** and again on **Saturday, April 25 in Kindersley**. Led by diocesan ministry leaders, Spring Congress is an opportunity for clergy and all the faithful to find renewed ways to come together to pray, learn, and listen to the Holy Spirit and one another. Register at: <https://rcdos.ca/spring-congress-2026>. *(Supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)*

Divine Mercy Sunday April 12



3:00 p.m.

Holy Family Cathedral, Saskatoon &

2:45 p.m.

St. Augustine Parish, Humboldt

A holy hour of special prayers, hymns, and reflections, including the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

The Divine Mercy devotion is centred on the mercy of God and our trust in Jesus Christ, growing out of the revelations and writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938). Divine Mercy Sunday was established 25 years ago by St. John Paul II, celebrated each year on the Sunday after Easter.

"Mother Mary in the Life of the Church and in the Life of Her Children" retreat will be held **Saturday, April 18** at St. Bruno Parish, 700 Kirby Street, **Bruno, SK**, beginning at 10:30 a.m. with Mass, followed by Lectio Divina prayer, an optional lunch (\$10 each), talks, adoration and the rosary. There will also be an optional supper (\$15 each) after the final talk. Drawing from the sacred philosophy of the west and the mystical beauty of the east, retreat leader Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw will offer a heartfelt exploration of Mother Mary in both the life of the Church and as a tender mother to us, her children. There is no cost for this retreat day in Bruno. **Register before Thursday, April 16** by contacting Carolyn LeBlanc at (306) 612-2046 or carolyn.leblanc659@gmail.com.

Horizons of Hope workshop about Palliative Care and End-of-Life will be held over two evenings **Monday April 27 and Tuesday April 28** from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Saint Anne Catholic Church, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. To register contact Jacqueline Saretsky at (306) 659-5839. Find more info at: <https://rcdos.ca/horizons-of-hope>. *(Hospital Chaplaincy is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)*

CWL Clothing Depot AGM - The CWL Clothing Depot Annual General Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on **Monday, April 20** at St. Augustine Parish (in music hall) at 602 Boychuk Dr., Saskatoon. All CWL members are welcome.

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Priests' Pension and Retirement Fund (PP&R): Our priests have faithfully led their parish communities, preaching God's word and celebrating the sacraments. Our retired priests give witness to the Lord's presence not only by their words but by their lives. Retirement years can be difficult for our senior priests. No longer supported by their parish communities, they rely on retirement benefits and their pension from the Priests' Pension and Retirement Fund for basic needs, such as food, housing, health costs, and transportation. Please, give generously in support of our retired priests. Find donation materials in parishes, or give online at <https://dscf.ca/priest-pension-fund> or download the pledge form and mail it to the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation: PP&R, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, S7S 1H1.

Employment opportunity: Trinity Manor at Stonebridge in Saskatoon is seeking a part-time (20 hours per week) Spiritual Care Coordinator to support the emotional, spiritual, and pastoral well-being of residents, families, and staff. Find job posting at rcdos.ca/employment. To apply, submit a resumé and a cover letter to: s.hr@trinitymanor.ca.

Catholic School Trustee Byelection for one vacant Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools (GSCS) Board of Education trustee position in Saskatoon will be held **Wednesday, April 15**. Information about candidates, voter eligibility, as well as poll locations and times can be found at: www.gscs.ca/elections.

Billings Ovulation Method of NFP: A free information night about the Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Family Planning (NFP) will be held at 7 p.m. **Thursday, April 23** at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon. This method teaches natural signs of fertility and infertility throughout a woman's reproductive life and assists couples to morally achieve or postpone pregnancy, as well as building harmony in marriage. For more information contact nfpsask@gmail.com or call (306) 682-7771.

The Joe Kammermayer Memorial Dinner is an annual fund-raising event for Columbus Bosco Saskatoon, to be held **Thursday, April 23**, starting 5:30 p.m. at St. Patrick Parish Hall, 3339 Centennial Dr., Saskatoon. Tickets are \$50 each; contact Ed Frank (306) 371-0506, Chris Sarich (306) 221-4686, or any Saskatoon K of C Council. Proceeds go to the Farm School and its Family Learning Centres.

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 in Saskatoon will be **April 24-26**. Contact Elaine at 1-306-480-8911 or e-mail: r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net for confidential registration.

St. Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit Tour

Join the diocesan Rural Catechesis Office and parishes across our diocese for an evening learning about the first Millennial Saint and his love of the Eucharist. Displays feature some of his work documenting Eucharistic miracles on a website that he created before he died in 2006 at the age of 15 years. Dates and locations for the exhibit are:

- **April 15: Anaheim** - St. Ann Parish
- **April 16: Cudworth** - St. Michael Parish
- **April 17: Wadena** - St. Mary Parish
- **April 22: Humboldt** - St. Augustine of Canterbury Parish
- **April 23: Vonda** - St-Philippe-de-Neri Parish
- **April 26: Kindersley** - St. Joseph Parish
- **April 27: Leader** - Little Flower Parish
- **April 30: Unity** - St. Peter Parish
- **May 1: Viscount** - St. Francis Xavier Parish
- **May 2: Bruno** - St. Bruno Parish

Watch for details at each parish or contact the diocesan Rural Catechesis Coordinator Quin Kleiboer at the Catholic Pastoral Centre: qkleiboer@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5857. (*Rural Catechesis is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal*)

CWL Social Justice Award - The Provincial Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada has established a Social Justice Award for young women 18-35 years. The \$1,000 award may be given to one candidate or divided among qualified applicants to finance participation in a reputable social justice activity, either at home or abroad. Deadline **April 30**. Contact: m.nordick@sasktel.net.

Help Not Harm - No Euthanasia for Mental Illness: Visit www.helpnotharmcanada.ca to e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of Bill C-218 The Right to Recover Act, which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent assisted suicide / euthanasia – known as Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) – when mental illness is the sole underlying condition.

Diocesan Prayer - Lord Jesus, on this Divine Mercy Sunday, we humbly seek Your boundless compassion. May Your Divine Mercy wash over us, healing our hearts and souls. Help us to extend mercy to others, fostering love and forgiveness. Fill us with hope and grace, guiding us to trust in Your eternal kindness. Amen.

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