

Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon

RESOURCE GUIDE

2026/2027



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

I am pleased to introduce to you our diocesan Resource Guide. I write this message as we prepare for another grace-filled year in the life of our Church and our diocese.

This year, we are encouraged by Pope Leo to mark the 800th anniversary of St. Francis of Assisi's death by focusing on the themes of peace, radical discipleship, and care for creation. St Francis's greeting, "May the Lord give you peace," is presented to us as a gift received from Christ and lived actively each day.

Thus, our discipleship, our care for creation and our world, and our journey of ongoing conversion are key features of how the clergy and laity of our diocese carry out the mission of Christ with great zeal and humility. This is also a mission that calls us all to stand in the mercy of Christ,

A wide variety of ministries, retreats, events, and faith enrichment opportunities will again take place throughout the diocese beginning this fall. These are ways and expressions of our vision and work to Proclaim Christ and 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 heartfelt 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 by attending some of the ministry offerings. In this guide, there is something for all ages, and in this year of St. Francis, let us consider how each of us works towards peace by, "...encouraging one another and building up each other." (See 1 Thess 5:11).

I express my excitement to pray, worship, and serve with you all as we continue to celebrate this Year of St. Francis of being channels of His peace for each other and the whole world.

Sincerely in Christ,
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Adult Faith Formation

Adult faith formation in the Diocese of Saskatoon features three unique elements called PROCLAIM, AWAKEN, ENCOUNTER. Join us in the mission to **Proclaim** 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!

Proclaim

How do you share your faith without it feeling awkward or forced?

Join an Activate small group and discover practical ways to witness to Jesus in your everyday conversations and relationships. This engaging 8-week experience will help you recognize where God is already at work in the lives of those around you and give you practical tools to accompany others on their faith journey. Activate is specifically designed to help ordinary Catholics grow in confidence as witnesses to the Gospel through authentic friendships and everyday encounters.

Along the way, you'll develop a deeper and more transformative prayer life, learn to hear God's voice more clearly, and build meaningful Christian community with others who desire to grow as missionary disciples. Through prayer, discussion, and practical application, you'll be encouraged and equipped to live and share your faith more intentionally.

Small groups are being organized throughout the Diocese of Saskatoon and will begin during the first week of October. If you already have a group of friends, parishioners, or fellow ministry leaders who would like to take Activate together, we can help with that too. We will provide the training, resources, and support needed for your group to participate in the course. Learn more about the program at cco.ca/activate

For more information on any of these events, contact John Hickey at jhickey@rcdos.ca



Awaken

FALL AWAKEN SESSIONS: "VIRTUOUS"

What does it mean to live a truly virtuous life? Join us as we explore the cardinal virtues: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance, which are the foundation of a life rooted in wisdom, freedom, and holiness. Acquired through faithful practice and cooperation with God's grace, the virtues shape our hearts, guide our decisions, and prepare us for deeper communion with Christ.

Dates: Sept 22nd, Sept 29th, Oct 6th, & Oct 13th, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Catholic Pastoral Centre (CPC).

CALLED & GIFTED DIOCESAN WORKSHOP

All lay parishioners, priests, and religious are invited to begin the journey of discerning the charisms God has uniquely given to each of us. God has distributed His gifts in accordance with the purpose and plan He has for each one of us to share in the building up of God's Kingdom and His people. **Date: Oct 17, 2026. The session will be from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the CPC.**

AWAKEN WINTER 2027: "DIALOGUE IN THE SPIRIT"

Discover the beauty of Dialogue in the Spirit, rooted in the Synod on Synodality, inviting us to listen deeply to one another and to the Holy Spirit, fostering trust, discernment, and unity. Join us as we grow in the art of spiritual conversations and learn to recognize God's voice speaking through Scripture, prayer, and one another.

Dates: Jan 19th, Jan 26th, Feb 2nd, & Feb 9th, 2027 at 7:00 p.m. at the CPC.

FEMININE GENIUS BREAKFAST

Feminine Genius breakfast in partnership with the Arise Catholic Movement. Watch for details!

Date: Sat, May 1, 2027 at The Cathedral of the Holy Family

Encounter

ADVENT RETREAT: "WORD MADE FLESH"

"The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

Participants will engage in enriching activities, including reflective prayer sessions and moments of 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: Dec 5th, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at The Cathedral of the Holy Family

LENTEN RETREAT: "BY HIS WOUNDS"

"But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed" Isaiah 53:5

The retreat offers an environment where individuals can deepen their faith and understanding of the sacrifice of love made for humanity.

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

Date: Mar 13th, 2027 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at The Cathedral of the Holy Family

OASIS

Oasis centers around Eucharistic Adoration, providing a sacred time for deep reflection and encounter with the Lord. The evening is enriched by worship, prayer, and social time, creating an environment where participants can find peace and healing. Oasis is a time to gather, share in the fruits of faith, and draw closer to God.

Date: April 28th, 2027 at 7:00 pm at The Cathedral of the Holy Family

If you would like to host a Called & Gifted workshop at your parish, or for more information on any of these events, contact Astrid Alas at amalas@rcdos.ca

Rural Catechesis

DIOCESAN RCIA CATECHIST GATHERING

RCIA catechists are invited to a day of prayer, reflection, and practical conversation. This gathering will provide an opportunity to share best practices, explore helpful approaches to the RCIA ministry, and spend time in prayer and discussion with others who accompany inquirers and candidates on their journey into the Church. Whether you are new to RCIA or have many years of experience, this day offers a chance to be renewed, encouraged, and strengthened in this important work.

Date: Sept 26 at the CPC from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

CATECHIST CONNECTION: ONE-HOUR ONLINE GATHERING FOR CATECHISTS

Catechist Connection is a one-hour online gathering that brings catechists from across the diocese together for encouragement, learning, and sharing. Each session features a short, focused teaching to deepen and strengthen your ministry, followed by open conversation and practical exchange of ideas. Come to connect with fellow catechists, discover helpful approaches, and support one another in the work of handing on the faith.

Dates (Tuesdays):

2026: October 6, November 3, December 1

2027: January 12, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4

You are invited to join us at one of two times on each date: Noon-1:00 p.m. or 7:30-8:30 p.m.

CATECHETICAL FORUM - FALL & SPRING DEANERY GATHERINGS

Catechists give so much of themselves in service to the Gospel. The Catechetical Forum is a one-day gathering in each deanery designed to renew, encourage, and equip those who teach the faith in our parishes. Our time together will include focused teaching, roundtable discussion, prayer and reflection, and the sharing of best practices.

The Catechetical Forum will be offered twice each year, in the fall and spring, throughout the deaneries, so that catechists can gather close to home, build local relationships, and receive ongoing formation and support.

Whether you are new to catechesis or have many years of experience, you are warmly invited to come, be refreshed, and share your wisdom. Together, we can strengthen one another in the mission of handing on the faith in our parishes and families.

For more information on Rural Catechetics contact Quin Kleiboer at qkleiboer@rcdos.ca



Sacramental Prep

In the Diocese of Saskatoon, the Sacraments of Initiation are celebrated in the order of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. Children baptized as infants generally receive their First Eucharist at about 7 or 8 years of age. Preparation for First Eucharist includes receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confirmation is ordinarily celebrated in Grade 6, when children are approximately 11 years old. Resources and support are available through the Office of Evangelization and with Rural Catechesis

CONFIRMATION RETREATS

The Office of Evangelization & Catechesis will be partnering with FacetoFace Ministries again in 2027 to offer six Confirmation Retreats in both rural and urban parishes across the diocese. Details and registration info will be sent to parishes.

Jan. 23rd: St. Peter's, Unity

Jan. 24th: St. Augustine, Saskatoon

Feb. 6th: St. Patrick, Saskatoon

Feb. 7th: Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon

March 6th: Little Flower, Leader

March 7th: St. Augustine, Humboldt

If you have a child preparing for Confirmation, be sure to check in with your parish so they do not miss out on a retreat!

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.

Date: Sunday, Feb. 14th, 2027 at 3:00 p.m. at 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 also marks the anniversary of the establishment of the ministerial priesthood and includes a recommitment to priestly service by priests.

Date: Tuesday March 23, 2027 at The Cathedral of the Holy Family.

For more information on Sacramental Preparation, please contact your parish or Marilyn Jackson at mjackson@rcdos.ca



Diocesan Congress Days

FALL CONGRESS

Preparing the Way: The Church's Mission for 2023

Recent statistics highlight a growing trend in the number of people joining the Catholic Church worldwide. Are we equipped to make disciples in the Diocese of Saskatoon? Join us for Fall Congress to hear practical ways we can live out these days of grace leading up to the Great Jubilee. Brett Powell, CEO of Divine Renovation, and Eric Myatt, Executive Director of Divine Renovation will be our guests. **Date: October 14, 2026 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at The Cathedral of the Holy Family.**

SPRING CONGRESS

Our Spring Congress series will be held on Thursday April 15, 2027 at St. Anne's Parish. Details and registration to be announced. Spring Congress will be held in two rural parishes again - dates and locations to be announced. If you would like to be notified when this info becomes available, please email mjackson@rcdos.ca

Faith and Fellowship

LENTEN 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. Whether you're an avid runner or have never run before, this is about showing up and giving it all to God.

Date: March 20th, 2027

FORGED

The Forged Catholic Canoe Trip is an outdoor adventure for men that will challenge you physically, mentally, and spiritually. Our accompanying priests provide daily Mass, Adoration and confession throughout a weekend filled with fraternity and fun. Visit <https://forgedcanoetrip.com>

TIME OUT FOR MOMS (TOFM)

TOFM is a Catholic enrichment group for women and mothers of all ages from many parishes. Childcare and breakfast are provided. Find out more or register at: www.tofm.ca

Dates: Tuesdays from 9:15 - 11:15 a.m. at The Cathedral of the Holy Family. Fall and Winter terms.

DABAR (VERBUM DEI MISSIONARIES)

A monthly prayer gathering to dive deeper into the Word of God, attuning oneself to God's will and allowing God's Word to be effective in life.

Date: Every second Saturday of the month, starting Oct. 10th, from 9am-12noon at 1132 Temperance St.

"PUT OUT INTO DEEP WATER" WEEKEND RETREAT

Date: Sept 25-27th, 2026.

Organized by: Verbum Dei Missionaries

For more information on Verbum Dei events, please contact Sr. Marta and Sr. Sol at verbumdeisk@gmail.com or (306) 659-5843



MEN'S SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

Date: November 27-29, 2026 at St Peter's Abbey, Muenster

For more information, please contact Lynden Penner at 306-535-8775 or penner@jdmollard.com

WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

Dates: Jan 29-31, 2027 and March 19-21, 2027 at St Peter's Abbey, Muenster

For more information, please contact Jacqueline Saretsky at 306-292-5531 or jsaretsky@rcdos.ca

MINISTRY TO MEN: PRIEST, PROPHET, KING

Priest: bi-weekly bible study on Wednesday evenings

Prophet: monthly speaker series, including Adoration & Mass

King: weekly small groups for fellowship, formation, & mentoring.

Find out more at holyfamilycathedral.ca/ppk

Marriage and 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 at 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.

Dates: Sessions are offered in Saskatoon each fall and spring, with dates and times coordinated with those who register

FROM MOURNING TO DAWN FOR BEREAVED PARENTS

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. To register, scan the QR code on the back page

Dates: Sept 24th, Oct. 1st 8th 15th 22nd and 29th and Nov. 5th and 12th

From Mourning to Dawn – St. Augustine Parish in Humboldt is offering this grief program, open to those who have been bereaved between 2 months and 3 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 - 4:30 p.m. for eight consecutive weeks from Oct 2nd to Nov 20th, 2026

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 22nd, 2026, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

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: The goal is for all parishes to host the four-module program. Contact Jacqueline Saretsky to bring it to your parish.

For more information on hospital chaplaincy, please contact Jacqueline Saretsky at jsaretsky@rcdos.ca

ANEW – LIFE AFTER DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

A 13-week program for anyone going through the painful experience of separation or divorce. Participants meet every two weeks to reflect on and discuss topics. To register, scan the QR code on the back page.

Dates: Sept 30th, Oct. 14th and 28th, Nov. 18th, Dec. 2nd and 16th, Jan. 6th and 20th, Feb. 3rd and 17th, March 3rd, 17th, and 31st

MILLIONS OF MONICAS

Millions of Monicas are prayer nights where mothers and grandmothers gather to pray for the return of their children and loved ones to the Church.

**St. Anne's: 7:00 p.m., first Monday of the month
St. Philip Neri: 10:00 a.m., third Tuesday of the month
Holy Spirit: 7:00 p.m., fourth Monday of the month**

PURSUE THE POWER OF PERSISTENT PRAYER WITH ST. MONICA

An evening for men and women, held on the Feast of St. Monica, with dessert, speakers, conversation, and prayer. Every family is affected by loved ones who have fallen away, walked away, or run away from the Church. Email rekindleatholicministries@gmail.com for more info.

Date: Aug. 27, 2027 (time and location TBD)



Justice and Peace

PARISH TRC GATHERINGS

These ongoing gatherings are especially targeted for parishes that have, are beginning, or would like to increase networks with other parishes to advance TRC efforts. For smaller parishes that may not have the capacity to create a TRC committee, the event is an opportunity to highlight opportunities for your faith community to join the church in this historic journey. A meal will be provided for participants at no cost. To register, scan the QR code on the back.

Dates: Sept 24th and April 22nd 5:30-7:00 p.m. at The Cathedral of the Holy Family

INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND (IRF) ANNUAL PARTNERSHIP EVENT

Learn about the impact of the IRF. Everyone is welcome; refreshments will be served.

Date: Friday, May 28th at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Holy Family
To register, scan the QR code on the back before May 25th.

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, as you walk 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.

Date: Good Friday, March 26th at 10:00 a.m.

RED WEDNESDAY

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. Red Wednesday is an International Day of Prayer, action, and awareness about the persecution of Christians around the world. Local Christian leaders will be present to pray and reflect during the service. Find more information at: <https://acninternational.org/> and stay tuned for location details. Everyone is welcome.

Date: Wednesday, Nov. 18th, at 7:00 p.m.

GROW HOPE SASK FIELD DAY.

Join us Saturday Sept 12th for the family friendly traditional Doerksen Family Threshing Bee - Near Carrot River, SK See Experience a live threshing demonstration with antique machinery, hayrides, haystack candy scavenger hunt, hot lunch served on site for free will donation. There is no cost to attend. Events begin at 9:30 a.m. and last until mid afternoon. To learn more about Grow Hope Sask, make a donation, or find directions to the field day, visit www.growhopesk.ca

SHARING YOUR STORY: THE FIRST STEP TO RECONCILIATION:

Come learn why your family history and personal story matter and are essential to building a culture of reconciliation. This Saturday morning workshop will offer participants the opportunity to reflect on their own stories and learn how to share them. This Continuing the Walk event will take place in **February of 2027**. Stay tuned for further details.

RECONCILIATION THROUGH EVERYDAY ENCOUNTERS:

Education and Advocacy are necessary to advance reconciliation efforts, yet they are only successful when they begin with relationships and lead to more meaningful ones. Learn how to not miss out on daily opportunities to build up the Kingdom of God through everyday encounters. This Continuing the Walk event will take place in **April of 2027**. Stay tuned for further details.

AI IS HERE TO STAY:

How is AI impacting your faith, your family, your job, our culture and environment and how is the Church offering essential direction. You are invited to join a panel and interactive discussion to explore how the recent encyclical Magnificent Humanity raises critical questions while offering pathways to discern utilizing AI to advance the common good. There is no cost to attend this BAA sponsored event Stay tuned for further details.

Date: January 28th from 6:30-8:30 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family cohosted by the Office of Rural Catechetics and Justice and Peace.

For more information on any Justice and Peace events, or to RSVP, contact Myron Rogal at mrogal@rcdos.ca.

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

For more information on prison ministry, please contact Dianne Anderson at danderson@rcdos.ca



Young Adult Ministries

SAINT THOMAS MORE CAMPUS MINISTRY

STM Campus Ministry is the Catholic pastoral team housed at St. Thomas More College. Visit www.stmcollege.ca/campus-ministry

NEWMAN 100 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The Newman Centre on the USask campus celebrates 100 years in 2026. The

Newman Society created a place for the Catholic community and paved the way for the establishment of St. Thomas More College.

You are cordially invited to come and celebrate with us!

Oct. 1: Newman Anniversary Lecture, 7:00 pm, Fr. O'Donnell Auditorium. Dr. Michael Higgins, "Illuminating Newman: Personal Reflections on an Enduring Presence"

Oct. 2: College Tours, 1:30-4:00 pm, STM Cafeteria, Newman Coffeehouse, 7:00 pm, Fr. O'Donnell Auditorium

Oct. 3: College Tours, 2:00-3:00 pm, STM Cafeteria. Annual Fall Gathering of Alumni & Friends featuring a celebration of the 2026 Distinguished Alumni and the 2026 STM Medalist

Oct. 4: Join us for Mass at 11:00 am, followed by Communion Brunch and Book Launch for: *The Basilians, 1822-2022: Adapting to a Changing Church and Changing World*, by Fr. Ron Griffin CSB and Dr. Michael Hadyen in the Shannon Library. Reserve your spot now at: <https://stmcollege.ca/alumni/events.php>

Vocations

The Diocese of Saskatoon is beginning the largest coordinated effort for the promotion of vocations in its history. This year, we will implement four key initiatives:

1) PARISH VOCATIONAL TEAMS

Parish-based teams will help foster a culture of vocation awareness, prayer, and encouragement within local communities.

2) WEEK OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS (JAN 17-23)

Holy Hours will be offered throughout the Diocese each week, leading up to Called by Name Sunday.

3) CALLED BY NAME SUNDAY (JANUARY 24)

Priests throughout the Diocese will preach on vocations and invite parishioners to submit the names of men and women who may be called to the priesthood or consecrated life.

4) ANDREW DINNER (APRIL 17)

We will host a large dinner for young men interested in learning more about the priesthood. Priests from across the Diocese will share their vocation stories and offer practical guidance on discernment.

STS. BENEDICT AND SCHOLASTICA FORMATION

The Sts. The Benedict and Scholastica Formation Program provides academic and spiritual formation for young men and women who have discerned a vocational pathway to the priesthood, religious life, or a professional lay ecclesial minister-leader. It consists of academic formation through Saint Thomas More College, and formation through community living, prayer, and training in our house of formation. For information, contact Sr. Marta at mpiano@rcdos.ca.

PROJECT TIMOTHY

Project Timothy is a year-long journey that 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. This program is led by Sr Marta Piano and John Hickey.

Dates: The program runs from October until June on a bi-weekly basis. Contact John at jhickey@rcdos.ca for more information.

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 volunteer opportunities for personal and spiritual growth. We want to help you get the most out of your university experience. Email usask@cco.ca for more info.

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) in accordance with the life and teachings of St. Thérèse of Lisieux. St. Therese seeks to provide students with a formation experience that includes the physical, spiritual, emotional, social, and intellectual aspects of the person. In addition, St. Therese hosts several events throughout the year that are open to the general public. You can check our events page regularly for details. www.StTherese.ca/events.

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.

WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT NIGHTS

Young women are invited for a time of Gospel reflection with discernment questions, Adoration, and prayer.

Drop-in! No RSVP necessary

Dates: 2nd Thursday of every month from 7:00- 9:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Saskatoon.

Contact Sr. April at aprilmireau@gmail.com for more information.

PRIEST DISCERNMENT NIGHTS

Priest Discernment Nights are held regularly at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish for men who are open to the priesthood, offering an opportunity to discern the call of the priesthood through prayer, discussion, and fellowship. The evenings include celebration of Mass, a presentation, and Eucharistic Adoration. For details, please contact Fr. Dan Yasinski: dyasinski@rcdos.ca.

Youth Programs & Events

In addition to the many youth groups offered in our parishes, several diocesan-wide events are held throughout the year for young people. For more information about any of these programs, or to connect with a parish youth group, contact John Hickey at jhickey@rcdos.ca



CHALLENGE AND CONQUEST

Weekly, starting October 2nd, 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 info on Conquest, visit <https://conquestsaskatoon.com>. For info 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. We've got music, games, small group hangouts, time for reflection, and powerful talks led by a team of teens and young adults from our community who get what you're going through. **Our next SEARCH is November 12-14th, 2026** www.saskatoonsearch.ca

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

A Montessori-based experience for children in our diocese. Currently, the All Saints Atrium at St Philip Neri Parish in Saskatoon offers Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children ages 3-12. The Trinity Atrium in Vonda offers an atrium for children ages 3-6. Visit <https://www.cgsac.ca> for more information.

FACETOFACE MINISTRIES UNITED CONFERENCE (GR. 9-12)

Oct 31-Nov 1st at The Cathedral of the Holy Family. This conference is a two-day event aimed at uniting, supporting, and challenging high school youth in their faith.

ELEVATE CONFERENCE (GR. 6-8)

January 23rd 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)

TBD 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)

DATES TBD

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. 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 1st from 7:00pm - 9:00pm.

holyfamilycathedral.ca/youth.

ANCHOR (GR 9-12)

Oct 26 at Our Lady of Lourdes 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 <https://facetofaceministries.ca> to register for any of their events.



Pilgrimages

Join hundreds of faithful throughout the Diocese of Saskatoon as we embark on annual pilgrimages to local sacred sites. A pilgrimage offers a break from the noise of daily life and a spiritual journey dedicated to prayer, reflection, and deepening your connection with God. Whatever your reason for going, these shared journeys are an opportunity to experience grace, tradition, and community. Explore the upcoming dates and locations below to plan your trip.

BLUMENFELD PILGRIMAGE

The church and pilgrimage site at Blumenfeld, SK, is located on a 10-acre site and includes 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. The Blumenfeld Pilgrimage Site is located 16 km south and 6 km east of Leader, SK, just off Hwy 21.

Date: Sunday, June 13, 2027 beginning at 2:00 p.m. with the rosary and confessions, followed by Mass at 3 p.m.

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 Memorial 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: Sunday, June 13, 2027 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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.

Date: Friday, July 11, 2027.

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. The Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at St. Laurent is located 12 km directly east of Duck Lake.

Visit <https://www.saintlaurentshrine.com>.

Date: Thursday July 15- Friday, 16th 2027.

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: Sunday, July 18th, 2027.

ST. PHILOMENA PILGRIMAGE:

Walking Pilgrimage from St Mary Parish (Yorkton) to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine (Rama)

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

Dates: Wednesday, August 11 - Saturday August 14th, 2027.

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 Shrine site is located at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 104 1st St N, Rama, SK – east of Wadena on Highway 5.

Date: Saturday, August 14th - Sunday August 15th, 2027.



Adoration & Prayer Nights

SOURCE

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

BELOVED

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

ENCOUNTER

Thursdays at the Cathedral of the Holy Family from 7:00-8:30 p.m. An evening of musical Adoration with Confession available.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Every Monday at Sacred Heart Parish in Davidson, SK, at 7:00 p.m. Contact Brian Hanson at (306) 252 -3314.

CENTRING PRAYER

Every Wednesday at St Anne's beginning at 3:15 p.m.

DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS

First Tuesday of each month. St. Paul's Co-Cathedral at 7:45 p.m. 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 1:00 p.m. 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, it is held at 5:00 p.m. 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.

NIGHT PRAYER CENACLE

Every Monday night at 7:00 p.m. 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.

WEEKLY ADORATION TIMES (SASKATOON):

St. Paul Co-Cathedral

Wednesday: 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

St. Philip Neri

Monday: 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. (except for long weekends)

St. Anne

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

St. Augustine

Tuesday: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. (not July or August)

Holy Spirit

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Sunday: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. (not July or August)

St. John Bosco

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Thursday: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

St. Joseph

Friday: 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.

MONTHLY ADORATION TIMES

First Monday

Sts-Martyrs-Canadiens: 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Third Wednesday

St. Francis Xavier: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Second Thursday

St. Philip Neri: 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Third Thursday

St. John Bosco: 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

First Friday

St. Michael: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Cathedral of the Holy Family: 6:45 - 9:00 p.m.

First Saturday

St. Mary: 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

ADORATION (RURAL)

St Augustine (Humboldt)

Tuesday: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

(First Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.)

Immaculate Heart of Mary

(Martensville)

Thursday: 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

First Friday of month: 9:00 a.m.





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