Diocesan Bulletin

Oct. 18, 2026 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Mission 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

Funeral Pre-Planning: This free workshop is presented by the parish Ministry of Care at 2 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. on **Wednesday, Oct. 21** at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon, covering all aspects of a funeral, the liturgy, the finances and the planning. There will be people present of these areas to answer questions. To register for afternoon or evening, contact Kelly at (306) 374-1425 or kwormsbecker@rcdos.ca.

Forty Hours for Life is held **weekdays 9 a.m. to noon** at the corner of 7th Avenue and Queen Street in Saskatoon. Signs are provided. If you have time to commit to this time of prayerful witness, contact campaignlifesk@gmail.com or call (306) 249-2764.

"Learn, Connect and Respond Together" is an ecumenical event to learn about needs in the community and the response of local service organizations, to be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. **Saturday, Oct. 24** at St. Mary Parish Hall, corner of Avenue O ad 20th Street West, Saskatoon. This information event is hosted by the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism and the Saskatoon Inner City Council of Churches. Please bring non-perishable food items for the First Baptist Food Pantry and/or blanket donations for the winter warm-up location at St. Mary Parish Hall (monetary donations are also welcome for St. Mary Mission and Outreach: **www.stmarysoutreach.com.)** For more info about the public information event, Oct. 24 please see: **pcecumenism.ca/learn-connect-and-respond-together/.**

CHAS Convention - Shared Vision, Sacred Work: Growing Healing Communities: The Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan (CHAS) will hold its 2026 Annual Convention, **Oct. 29-30** at St. Joseph Church, 260 25th St. East, **Prince Albert.** For details or registration see: **https://chassk.ca/annual-convention-2026.**

United Conference for Grades 9-12, a high-energy conference for youth **Oct. 31 - Nov. 1** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon, presented by FacetoFace Ministries, offering practical steps that encourage youth to desire more in their relationship with Jesus. Any adults attending must be registered as official chaperones. Chaperones may supervise up to eight youth participants. Please see: **https://facetofaceministries.ca/events.**

Bishop's Annual Appeal

"Called to Respond: Living the Father's Will"

Find this year's video, information, and online giving at:

dscf.ca/baa

Featured Ministry - Youth and Young Adults

The diocesan office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry continues to form intentional missionary disciples by bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ into the lives of youth and young adults. Behind every retreat, training, and youth gathering is the generosity of those who give. The Bishop's Annual Appeal is helping to ensure that faith continues to flourish.

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https://dscf.ca/baa / admin@dscf.ca / (306) 659-5851

Search Youth Retreat for Grades 10-12 Nov. 13-15 in the Diocese of Saskatoon:

Search live-in faith enrichment weekend is held at E.D. Feehan Catholic School, $100 *(includes food and accommodation, funding assistance is available)*.

Pre-register online by Nov. 9 deadline at https://**saskatoonsearch.ca**
or for more information, contact Evangelization and Mission Leader John Hickey at jhickey@rcdos.ca.

A Mass of Thanksgiving will be held at 12:15 p.m. **Saturday, Oct. 24** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, to celebrate the **recent profession of perpetual vows** (on Aug. 22, 2026) to the Queenship of Mary Community in Ottawa by Sr. Maryam Josephine of the Child Jesus (Micheline Thibault of Saskatoon). A light lunch will follow in the hall.

World Youth Day in Seoul, South Korea: A World Youth Day Pilgrimage from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon will take place from **July 27 to Aug. 9, 2027**. A few spots are still available: for more information, contact Sr. Marta Piano at mpiano@rcdos.ca.

Message Board

"One in Christ, United in Mission" – World Mission Sunday Oct. 18: For 100 years, World Mission Sunday has been a day for prayer, reflection, and practical contributions to the Church's mission of evangelization, especially in areas where the proclamation of the Gospel is only just beginning and where the Church faces challenges. Join the collection for the Pontifical Mission Societies on World Mission Sunday, Oct. 18, which makes possible the work of missionaries who build churches and schools, provide health care, train seminarians, support catechists, and serve vulnerable communities. To make a gift online or learn more, see: **www.missionsocieties.ca/ways-to-give** or use the Oct. 18 parish collection envelope to make a gift.

Anchor: Chronic Illness Prayer Support Group for people living with chronic illness and their caregivers will meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Monday, Oct. 19** at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Dr. Saskatoon. To register, please contact Dietta Todos at durr2todos@gmail.com.

Apostolate of the Precious Blood will meet **Tuesday, Oct. 27** from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Saint Anne Catholic Church, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon, to pray the rosary, litany and chaplet of the Precious Blood. All are welcome.

"The Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence" is the topic of the 37th Annual Michael Keenan Memorial Lecture 7 p.m. **Thursday, Oct. 29** at the Shannon Library at St. Thomas More College, 1437 College Drive, Saskatoon, with guest lecturer Fr. Philip Larrey, Ph.D., a Catholic priest and professor of philosophy at Boston College. The lecture will also be live-streamed – register to receive a link: **https://stmcollege.ca/events/index.php.**

Catechist Connection is a one-hour online gathering that brings catechists from across the diocese together for encouragement, learning, and sharing. Choose either noon to 1 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for online sessions offered **Tuesday, Nov. 3.** For more information and the Zoom link, please contact: Quin Kleiboer, diocesan Rural Catechesis Coordinator at (306) 659-5857 or qkleiboer@rcdos.ca. *(Rural Catechesis is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)*

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The Catechetical Forum

The Catechetical Forum is a day designed to renew, encourage, and equip those who teach the faith to children and adults in parishes across the diocese of Saskatoon. Gatherings at four deaneries will include focused teaching, round-table discussion, prayer, and reflection, and the sharing of practical ideas and best practices, with each event held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- **Eatonia Deanery - Nov. 7**, St. Joseph, Kindersley: https://form.jotform.com/262721076104247
- **Wadena Deanery - Nov. 14**, St. Joseph, Kelvington:
- **Kerrobert Deanery - Nov. 21**, St. Mary, Macklin

For more information, contact Rural Catechesis Coordinator Quin Kleiboer at (306) 659-5857 or qkleiboer@rcdos.ca.

Rural Catechesis is one of many ministries in the diocese supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus – A gathering to pray, reflect and meditate upon the Holy Face of Jesus is held at 7:45 p.m. **Tuesday, Nov. 3** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cres. East, Saskatoon.

Job Opportunity: The Diocese of Saskatoon is seeking an Executive Assistant to the Bishop / Curia Coordinator. See: **https://rcdos.ca/employment** for the job description and requirements. E-mail resumé to HR@rcdos.ca.

Job Opportunity: St. Mary Parish in Saskatoon is seeking a part-time parish custodian (approximately 12 hours per week), responsible for maintaining a consistently clean, sanitary, and orderly environment throughout St. Mary Church, parish hall, rectory, offices, and associated areas. Please provide a resume prior to **Friday, Oct. 23, 2026** to smasaskatoon@rcdos.ca.

Diocesan Prayer - On this World Mission Sunday, we unite with the whole Church in praying for the joyful proclamation of the Gospel in our world. We pray for Pope Leo, for missionaries, Church leaders, and all the baptized, asking God to give all the strength and the courage to follow the example of Christ who came not to be served, but to serve. We pray for missionaries around the world, especially those working in places of danger and persecution, and we pray for all those who suffer through poverty, violence and oppression. May the power of the Gospel heal division, dispel darkness, and bring hope to those who despair.