



# Diocesan Bulletin

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Dec. 11, 2022 - Third Sunday of Advent

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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

**Knights of Columbus - Brother's Keepers Men's Breakfast** will be held from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. **Tuesday, Dec. 13** at Queen's House, Saskatoon. Call Brendan at (306) 242-1916.

**"O Come Let Us Adore" Christmas Concert** will be held at 2 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 18** at St. Augustine Parish, Humboldt. Entrance by donation, raffle prizes, treats to follow.

**Adult faith diocesan Awaken series – "The Eucharist: Christ Our Sustainer"** will be held Tuesday evenings in January from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. **Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31** with Fr. Stefano Penna, held at Holy Spirit Church, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon. Participants will come to a deeper understanding of why the Eucharist is, as Vatican II states: "The Source and Summit of the Christian Life." Cost: \$40 for series. Register at: <https://form.jotform.com/222236197984264> or for more information call Astrid Alas at (306) 659-5858 or e-mail [amalas@rcdos.ca](mailto:amalas@rcdos.ca)

### Diocesan Collection for the Catholic TRC Healing Response Dec. 11

A second collection will be held in parishes across the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon on this Third Sunday of Advent, **Dec. 11, 2022**, as part of our diocesan contribution to the national Catholic financial pledge to support healing and reconciliation initiatives



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for residential school survivors and their communities. For more information about our diocesan commitment of \$250,000 per year over five years, about the vision of our local diocesan TRC Discernment Circle, or to make a donation online, visit the Catholic Foundation website:

[dscf.ca/trc](https://dscf.ca/trc)

*"There is no single step that can eliminate the pain felt by residential school survivors, but by listening, seeking relationships, and working collaboratively where we are able, we hope to learn how to walk together in a new path of hope."*

- CCCB vice-president Bishop William McGratten

### Dec. 12 - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples

#### Diocesan Prayer

We give thanks for the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples of Canada, and for the blessing of cultures and traditions, as well as for the gifts of creation that we share. Creator God, please walk with us and help us to embrace our mutual journey toward truth and reconciliation. Guide us to healing and peace, and awaken in all a spirit of compassion, justice, community and friendship.



Find this year's message from the Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council online at:

[www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca)

### Indigenous Pastoral & Lay Leader Ministry Education Program Course 2: Indigenous-Settler Relationship

Jan. 10, 2023 to March 7, 2023

4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday afternoons

Jointly sponsored by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, St. Thomas More College, and Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, this online program is led by teams of Indigenous and non-Indigenous instructors, modelling respectful and reconciling relationships.

Cost: \$200 per course (some funding assistance available)

**No pre-requisite is necessary to take Course 2.**

*Those completing all four courses will earn a ministry certificate.*

**Information and Registration:**

[rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education](https://rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education)

# Message Board

**Simbang Gabi 2022** - The Filipino Catholic community of Saskatoon will hold a Novena of pre-Christmas evening Masses from **Dec. 15 to 23**, with celebrations this year at St. Patrick Parish, 3339 Centennial Drive, Saskatoon and at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road. Find times and more details on the diocesan website at: [rcdos.ca/simbang-gabi](http://rcdos.ca/simbang-gabi)

**Search returns** – Registration is now open for students in Grades 10-12 to attend the next Search live-in weekend retreat in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, to be held **Feb. 24-26, 2023** at E.D. Feehan Catholic School in Saskatoon. Youth attending a Search retreat are able to make friends, have meaningful discussions and learn more about what it means to be a Christian. Small groups, music, activities, prayer time, and important talks given by other young people are just a few of the things that make the retreat great. Attending Search is a powerful way to deepen a close, personal relationship with God, make friends and forge lasting memories. Cost for the entire weekend is \$100. Find more information and registration at [saskatoonsearch.ca](http://saskatoonsearch.ca)

**The Ethics Exchange** is a regular event organized by the Saskatchewan Health Authority in collaboration with the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency and Emmanuel Health. The next Ethics Exchange **Dec. 14** will explore the emotional impact of Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) on healthcare providers. For more information about the Ethics Exchange, or for other inquiries related to health ethics, contact the Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan's ethicist, Dr. Mary Heilman at [mary.heilman@saskhealthauthority.ca](mailto:mary.heilman@saskhealthauthority.ca) or 306-655-5197.

**Hunger crisis in sub-Saharan Africa:** Development and Peace-Caritas Canada has set up a special fund in response to the deepening hunger crisis across the sub-Saharan region; donate online at [www2.devp.org](http://www2.devp.org) or call 1-888-234-8533. All donations over \$10 are tax deductible. For more information, contact provincial Development and Peace animator Michael LeBlanc at (306) 205-2334 or [mleblanc@devp.org](mailto:mleblanc@devp.org).

**CWL Clothing Depot** is seeking donations of new items for its annual **Christmas Sale**. Donations help those who are struggling to make ends meet, giving them a joyous opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts for their loved ones. Donations can be dropped off between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday to Friday at 619-20th Street West, Saskatoon (rear entrance of Friendship Inn); ring the back doorbell when delivering items.

**Prison Outreach at Christmas** - The diocesan Restorative Ministry Office is seeking donations to purchase small, identical gifts for the men. Please send donations "Attention Dianne" to the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, S7S 1H1 (make cheques out to "DSCF - Restorative Ministry") or give online: [dscf.ca/designated-ministry-support](http://dscf.ca/designated-ministry-support)

**CCCB "Journey Through Advent" reflections** are released weekly: [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca) (or in French: [www.cecc.ca](http://www.cecc.ca)).



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## Prepare the Way of the Lord!

**Advent confession opportunities and Christmas Mass times for many parishes across the diocese can be found online at:**

[rcdos.ca/advent-christmas-schedule](http://rcdos.ca/advent-christmas-schedule)

Parishes across our diocese have various opportunities for confession during Advent. Please check with your local parish for up-to-date details or check postings on the Advent-Christmas schedule at: [rcdos.ca/advent-christmas-schedule/](http://rcdos.ca/advent-christmas-schedule/)

## Upcoming Penitential Services include:

### City of Saskatoon Penitential Services with Confessions:

- 7 p.m. **Tuesday, Dec. 13** at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Wednesday, Dec. 14** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent, Saskatoon
- 6:30 p.m. **Thursday, Dec. 15** at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, 426 Avenue J South, Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Thursday, Dec. 15** at St. Peter the Apostle Parish, 1121 Northumberland Avenue, Saskatoon
- 7-9 p.m. **Friday, Dec. 16** at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon (in conjunction with Source adoration night)
- 7 p.m. **Tuesday, Dec. 20** at St. Mary Parish, 211 Avenue O South, Saskatoon
- 5:30 p.m. **Wednesday, Dec. 21** at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 222 Willow Street (*at Melrose Ave.*) Saskatoon, with adoration

### Rural-area Penitential Services with Confessions:

- St. Gabriel Parish, **Biggar** - 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12
- Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, **Martensville** - 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13
- St. Theresa Parish, **Rosetown** - 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13
- St. Augustine Parish, **Humboldt** - 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13
- Immaculate Conception Parish, **Major** - 7 p.m. Wed. Dec. 14
- Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Kerrobert - 7 p.m. Dec. 15
- St-Philippe-de-Néri Parish, **Vonda** - 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15
- St. Michael Parish, **Cudworth** - 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15
- St. Mary Parish, **Fox Valley** - 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16
- St. Eugene de Mazonod Parish, Luseland - 5 p.m. Dec. 16
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help, **Wishart** - 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec 20
- St. Philippe-de-Néri, **Vonda** - 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15
- St. Mary Parish, **Wynyard** - 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21
- Christ the King, **Foam Lake** - 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 22

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