

Diocesan Bulletin

April 2, 2023 - Palm Sunday / Passion 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

Good Friday Outdoor Way of the Cross: Pilgrims will have the opportunity to pray and reflect on the scriptural way of the cross written by St. John Paul II, while walking through the streets of downtown Saskatoon on Good Friday morning April 7. Reflections at each station will be presented by churches and local organizations. The event begins at 10 a.m. and runs until approximately 11:45 a.m. Pilgrims are asked to gather in front of the King's Bench Courthouse at 520 Spadina Crescent East 10 minutes prior to start time. For more info or to volunteer, contact Myron Rogal at (306) 659-5841 or mrogal@rcdos.ca

Women's Vocational Discernment Nights are held regularly for young women who are open to discerning God's call for their lives through prayer, formation discussion, and Eucharistic Adoration. The next gathering will be an Easter potluck dinner at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 13 at the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary residence, 914 Paton Bay, Saskatoon. RSVP with what dish you will bring, or for details, contact Sr. April Mireau, PM, at: aprilmireau@gmail.com or (306) 531-9937 or Sr. Malou Tibayan at: mtibayan@rcdos.ca or (306) 371-7434.

Spring Courses at St. Therese, Bruno: Week-long certificate courses for adults and older teens help build understanding of Catholic teaching, strengthen faith, and enrich life. Includes Gospel of the Body and The Little Way (April 11-14); Theology of the Laity (April 16-21); Principles of Christian Education (April 16-21); Ecumenical Apologetics (April 24-28); TeenSTAR - Sex Educator Instructor Certification (April 24-28). See: www.St-T.ca/SC23 or call (306) 369-2555.

Sts. Benedict and Scholastica Formation Open House

will be held 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Saturday, April 15** at the Sts. Benedict and Scholastica Formation House, 1136 Temperance Street, Saskatoon. Live in community and study while you discern your life vocation; obtain a degree and formation at the same time. Open house event April 15 begins with Mass at 9:30 a.m. celebrated by Bishop Mark Hagemoen. RSVP to: Sr. Marta Piano at mpiano@rcdos.ca or (306) 370-5951 or Sr. Malou Tibayan at mtibayan@rcdos.ca or (306) 371-7434.

Diocesan Prayer - We pray as a diocesan family that leaders of nations will work toward lasting peace and right relationship, and that all people in war-torn countries – especially children and the most vulnerable – will find help and protection.

Chrism Mass

7 p.m. Tuesday, April 4
Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon
and live-streamed online at

https://saskatoonmass.com

Join Bishop Mark Hagemoen and priests from across the diocese for this annual celebration to bless the sacred oils for use in sacraments in the year ahead. The priests in the diocese of Saskatoon will also renew their commitment to priestly ministry.

- Oil of Catechumens (OC): This oil, sometimes referred to as Oil of Salvation, is used to anoint catechumens (those to be baptized). It is a sign of belonging: marking us as members of the Body of Christ.
- Oil of the Sick (OS): This oil is used in the Anointing of the Sick to bring comfort and support and to pray for healing.
- Sacred Chrism (SC): This oil includes a sweet-smelling perfume or balsam, added during the blessing prayers at the Chrism Mass. Sacred Chrism is used at the celebration of baptism, confirmation, the ordination of priests and bishops, and for the dedication of churches and altars. Anointing with this oil signifies abundance of grace and dedicated service to God. The word Christ means "anointed one."

Sing with the Diocesan Choir at the Chrism Mass: Rehearsal is at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 4

Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon (for the Chrism Mass starting at 7 p.m.)

For more details, or to be added to the diocesan choir e-mail list, please contact: **saskatoondiochoir@icloud.com**

A Kairos Blanket Exercise will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on **Tuesday, April 18** at St. John Catholic School gym, 1205 Avenue N South, Saskatoon. This is an opportunity to broaden understanding of the shared history of Indigenous and non-Indigenous people through an interactive program. No cost to attend. Call (306) 229-3612 for additional information.

Encounter: "Continuing the Walk" a diocesan TRC event will be held 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 22 at St. Mary Parish, 211 Ave. O S., Saskatoon. Hear the story of a Residential School survivor, followed by an opportunity to explore economic reconciliation, driven by the TRC Calls to Action for broader economic inclusion – especially increased Indigenous employment – as essential to reconciliation. Register at: https://form.jotform.com/230197442425252; \$30/person (includes lunch).

Message Board

Rachel's Vineyard Ministry April 21-23 Spring Retreat:

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 Saskatchewan will be held April 21-23 near Saskatoon (privacy of location respected). To register or speak to someone confidentially, please contact Elaine at (306) 480-8911 or e-mail: r.vinevardsk@sasktel.net

Columbus Bosco Homes Annual Joe Kammermayer Memorial Dinner will be held Thursday, April 27 at St. Patrick Parish Hall, 3339 Centennial Drive, Saskatoon, in support of the Farm School, the Substance Abuse Education Program and Family Support Centres that provide essential support to at-risk children and families in our community. Doors open 5:30 p.m., dinner 6 p.m.; tickets are \$50 each. Contact: Chris Sarich (306) 221-4686; Lorne Keller (306) 227-7576; Rick Rowley (306) 371-2061; or Tracey Harper (306) 659-2025.

CWL Social Justice Award - The Saskatchewan Provincial Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada has established a Social Justice Award for young women between the ages of 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. Application deadline: April 30. Contact Mary Nordick at m.nordick@sasktel.net or (306) 374-5612.

Spiritual Care Education course opportunity - CPE Spring Intensive will be offered at St. Paul's Hospital, Saskatoon as a full-time course from May 8 to July 21. Clinical Psychospiritual Education (CPE) is for anyone interested in spiritual care as a career or as a skill set to further their own volunteering, ministry, or profession. Each unit offers 400 hours of study, including 200 hours of practical experience and 200 hours of supervised, peer-group learning. Tuition \$1,350, academic transcript available. Contact Julie Bergen, St. Paul's Hospital, Saskatoon at Julie.Bergen@saskhealthauthority.ca or (306) 655-5827. Find out more at: cpe-saskatoon.com

Share Lent

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cheque to: Development and Peace, 1425 Rene Levesque Blvd. W. 3rd Floor, Montreal, QB H3G 1T7.

Bishop Mark Hagemoen's Share Lent message and video can be found at rcdos.ca



Lenten Reconciliation:

A list of confession opportunities is posted on the diocesan website at: rcdos.ca/lent-confession or find parish contact information at:

rcdos.ca/parishes-mass-times-list

Easter Triduum Mass times:

Parish submissions: rcdos.ca/easter-schedule

Are You Spring Cleaning? Don't forget the CWL Clothing Depot! The Clothing Depot is in need of new and gently-worn clothing, as well as cutlery, pots and pans, blankets, towels, small appliances in good working condition and warm winter coats and jackets. Donations will be gratefully accepted when dropped off at the back door of the Clothing Depot, located at 619 20th Street West, Saskatoon. New drop-off hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday to Friday. Volunteers are also needed at the Clothing Depot: call Bea at (306) 242-5042.

Springtime Silent Retreat - Create your own retreat at Queen's House in Saskatoon for one or several days. Retreat availability is from 4 p.m. Monday, April 10 to Sunday, April 16 at 2 p.m. Come as a commuter, or stay at the retreat centre, 601 Taylor St. W, Saskatoon. Call Program Director Sarah Donnelly (306) 242-1916 (Ext. 226) for assistance in creating your own retreat. Registration deadline: April 5.

Catholic Engaged Encounter is an intensive weekend of marriage preparation, in which each couple is offered the time and opportunity to question, examine, and deepen their relationship and reflect on being open to God's plan. Topics covered during the weekend include; self-awareness, values and ideals, community, sexuality, communication, decision making, Natural Family Planning, vocations, sacraments, prayer and unity. The weekend stay away from distractions of everyday lives is designed to deepen and enrich relationships with one another, God, the Church and the World. Weekends are held at St. Peter's Abbey in Muenster, SK, with the next session April 28-30. Register at: ceewest.com or contact Elizabeth and Deryk Meszaros at deryk200@hotmail.com.

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