

Campus Ministry

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STM at Prayer

Sunday Mass 5:00 pm
Weekday mass Mon, Tues. and Thurs 11:30 am
Divine Liturgy Wednesday 11:30 am
Reconciliation: Wednesday 10-11 am

and 30 minutes before weekday mass.

We pray for

PEACE

and a blessed

EASTER!



HOLY WEEK & EASTER LITURGY SCHEDULE



PALM SUNDAY March 24

5 PM

HOLY THURSDAY
March 28
4:30 PM



GOOD FRIDAY March 29 3 PM



EASTER SUNDAY
March 31
5 PM

IN THE STM CHAPEL 2ND FLOOR

WEEKDAY MASS CONTINUES
DURING HOLY WEEK & THROUGH
THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

March 25-27 & April 1-12 11:30 am



May our faith in the resurrection remove the doubts and fears of creating a sustainable world.

Holy Thursday

Mass time: 4:30 pm, STM Chapel

Originally, no Eucharist was celebrated during the week before Easter, but by the fourth century some areas began to celebrate Jesus' Last Supper on Holy Thursday.

The day was also known as "Maundy" Thursday, which comes from the Latin mandatum (command-ment), referring to Jesus' commandment to "love one another." Foot-washing, according to Jesus' example, symbolized this love and service.

Jesus' giving himself as food and drink as well as the washing of feet point us to our serving ministries in the Church and in the world.

On Holy Thursday, we receive the Oil of the Sick, Oil of the Catechumens, and Sacred Chrism for use in the celebration of sacraments throughout the year, blessed by Bishop Mark Hagemoen during the annual Chrism Mass:

- Oil of Catechumens (OC): This oil, sometimes referred to as *Oil of Salvation*, is used to anoint the catechumens (those who are to be baptized) in preparation for their initiation into the Church. The prayer accompanying this anointing expresses the desire that Christ strengthen the person being anointed. This oil is also used in celebration of the baptism of children. 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. The prayer accompanying this anointing is: "Through this holy anointing, may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy spirit. May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up." This oil is used to bring comfort and support to the sick in their infirmity and to pray for healing. The celebrating of the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is a ritual moment that makes visible and present to the sick and to the whole community who we are as Church: a community of healing and support.
- 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. Sacred Chrism is also used in the blessing of bells and sacred vessels. Anointing with this oil signifies abundance of grace and dedicated service to God. The word *Christ* means "anointed one," so being anointed with oil is a sign of the special and strengthening presence of Christ, the Anointed One.

Good Friday

Outdoor Way of the Cross: starts at 10am (King's Bench Courthouse at 520 Spadina Crescent East) Liturgy time: 3 pm, STM Chapel

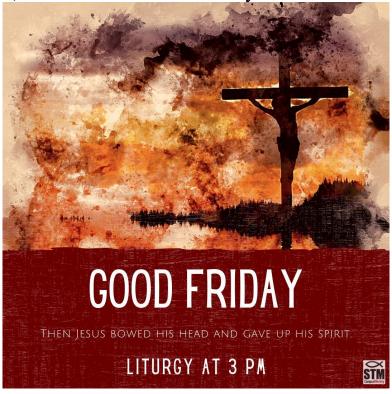
Good Friday is the only day of the year on which Mass is not celebrated. The altar is bare, without cloths, candles or cross.

The liturgy consists of the reading of Jesus' suffering and death from John's Gospel, praying the general intercessions, a communion service and the veneration of the cross.

In early centuries, churches acquired relics of the true cross for these rites; gradually, veneration of the cross became common even when a relic was not available.

Although there is no celebration of the Eucharist on Good Friday, we receive Communion of the Presanctified (the bread consecrated on Holy Thursday) at the Good Friday liturgy.

Many churches also have a meditation on the Way of the Cross (often called the Stations of the Cross) as our Diocese does each year.





An Easter message from Bishop Mark Hagemoen (letter to the faithful in text, and a video) is posted on the diocesan website at rcdos.ca:

"Our Lord Jesus Christ offers the unexpected, ultimate, and final confrontation between light and darkness, death and life – abundant life – to the full. What we recall and witness again in the way of Jesus Christ is utterly amazing, astonishing, unbelievable!" – Bishop Mark Hagemoen, Holy Week / Easter 2024 message





Theology on Tap: For young adults 19 to 35 Theology on Tap continues to celebrate 20 years in Saskatoon! Our next session will be on Monday, April 15, with very special guest Bishop Michael Smolinski! Join us to hear about Bishop Michael's First 100 days as Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon. Theology on Tap's new time is 5:00-7:00 pm at Louis' and can be found on FB at https://www.facebook.com/saskatoonTonT.

From the Diocese

A Contemplative Mass led by Fr. Kevin McGee, will be held 5 p.m. Friday, April 5, 2024 at St. Mary Parish, 211 Ave. O S. Saskatoon. The rhythm of the Contemplative Mass is a gentle, steady flow, marked by 20 minutes of silence after communion to allow space for reflection and recognition of the intimate presence of Christ who comes to us through scripture and the Eucharist. Silence in this form of worship can feel uncomfortable or awkward, especially when experienced for the first time. We encourage you to relax and rest in the abiding presence of God.

Divine Mercy Sunday: A diocesan Divine Mercy prayer service will be held **3 p.m. Sunday**, **April 7** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, with special prayers, hymns and reflections, including the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (not a Mass.) Everyone is welcome! 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 a Polish nun, Saint Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938). Divine Mercy Sunday was established in 2000 by Saint Pope John Paul II, and is marked on the Second Sunday of Easter each year.

Loving Through Loss – The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon presents "Loving Through Loss" Couples Workshop 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Saturday, April 20, 2024**, at the Catholic Pastoral Centre library, 2nd floor of the Cathodral of the Holy Family. This workshop helps couples understand how the trauma of losing a child affects the family dynamic and how to love each other through the complexity of loss. The workshop facilitates a safe space for couples to enter into the vital questions pivotal in moving forward towards healing. This is offered

through Red Bird Ministries https://www.redbird.love/ -- to register, contact chapter leader Marilyn Jackson, mjackson@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5836.

From Mourning to Dawn is a diocesan grief support program for widows and widowers. Two sessions of this eight-week journey of transformation and healing for bereaved spouses will be offered this spring in Saskatoon: Mondays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. beginning April 8 at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon, and Tuesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. beginning April 9 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd Floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road. From Mourning to Dawn is open to participants who have been widows or widowers from between two months to two years, offering support and encouragement led by those who have also experienced this loss. Cost: \$35. For more information or to register, contact Dianna Knaus at dknaus@sasktel.net or (306) 382-0535. *Grief ministry in the diocese is supported through gifts to the BAA*.

"Save the Date" for the return of the Bishop's Dinner to be held from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 2, 2024 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon: "A Grateful Gathering of People of Mission" with guest speaker Gordon Martell. Watch for details in the weeks ahead!

Volunteers needed to lead Catholic prayer at the Saskatoon Correctional Centre: There is a great need for volunteers to assist with liturgies, prayer, leading the rosary and other Catholic outreach at the prison. If the Holy Spirit is inspiring you to respond to the Gospel call to visit those who are in prison (Matthew 25:36), please contact diocesan coordinator of prison ministry Dianne Anderson, danderson@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5845 for more information. Training and support will be provided! (*Prison ministry is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

Donations are requested for prison ministry's Storytime Program for Dads - The diocesan Office of Restorative Ministry is seeking donations of new children's pyjamas sizes newborn to size 8, as well as crayons, colouring books, and/or gently-used children's books and small backpacks, as part of a project to help fathers in prison improve parenting skills and stay connected to their families. Men approved for the program are videotaped reading bedtime stories, and the videos are sent to their children with the donated gifts of pyjamas/book in a back pack. Monetary donations for project supplies are also welcome. All donations can be dropped off or sent "Attention Dianne" to the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, S7S 1H1 (hours are: 9 am to noon, 1 p.m. to 4:30 pm weekdays). Please make cheques out to "DSCF -Restorative Ministry"). Monetary donations can also be made online at dscf.ca/designated-ministry-support (please select "Restorative Ministry Fund (Prison)" in the drop-down box.) Donations of sturdy rosaries (metal chains) are also requested for prison ministry: please drop-off / send to the Catholic Pastoral Centre or call Restorative Ministry at (306) 659-5845.

Centering Prayer - All are welcome to gather in-person at Queen's House or virtually on Zoom on **Monday evenings** from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. This drop-in gathering includes a 20-minute sit, additional insights regarding contemplation and centering prayer from the great teachers will be part of every evening in the form of video clips, and a time for small group sharing. Register online at https://www.queenshouse.org/programs/ to receive the Zoom invitation/let us know that you will be coming in person or call (306) 242-1916 Extension 222 for further information. There is no fee to attend. Donations to support the ministry of Queen's House can be made at: https://www.queenshouse.org/donate-today/

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for young children - The All Saints Atrium at St. Philip Neri Parish is hosting a "Come and See" event from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 13: anyone over the age of 16 is invited to learn more about the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. See how adults and children journey in faith pondering scripture and liturgy in a peaceful environment specially prepared for them, called "the atrium." The "Come and See" afternoon will include a short presentation, tour of the atrium and fellowship. For more information contact Cynthia Foster at lc.foster@sasktel.net.

New IPL course - The Indigenous Pastoral and Lay Leader (IPL) Ministry Education program is launching a new course running from April 2 to May 28: **Introduction to Métis Studies**, held online from 4:15 to 5:30 pm (SK Time) on Tuesday afternoons. IPL is led by teams of Indigenous and non-Indigenous instructors, modeling respectful and reconciling relationships. This course will be co-taught by MaryAnne Morrison (Métis) and Cristin Dorgan-Lee (Métis). Cost: \$200 per course. No pre-requisite is necessary. To register, please see the diocesan website at: https://rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education or for more information call (306) 659-5831. (The online registration form is posted at: https://form.jotform.com/232607061388255.)

2025 Jubilee: Holy Year Pilgrimage - Join Bishop Stephen Hero and Fr. Maurice Fiolleau of Prince Albert on a Pilgrimage to Rome, Vatican City and Assisi from Dec. 10 - 18, **2025** during the 2025 Jubilee Holy Year. Mass will be celebrated daily. Visit the Seven Jubilee Churches, the Catacombs, be part of the Pope's Sunday Angelus and blessing, and attend the Wednesday papal audience. Travel to Assisi where Mass will be celebrated at the Basilica. Free time to see the sights of Rome during the Advent season. Rome will be bursting with beautiful nativity scenes, Christmas markets and colourful lights. A ZOOM presentation about the trip will be held 7 p.m. **Tuesday Dec. 12**. If you are interested, please email Tom Brothwell at the CAA Office in Prince Albert to get the link to the Dec. 12 online meeting: tom.brothwell@caask.ca

The CWL Clothing Depot continues to offer an important ministry and service to those in our community who face disadvantages. Those who stand in need include refugees, immigrants, and many, many local residents. There is a need for ongoing donations of gently-used clothing and small household goods and appliances. At this time of year, with colder weather approaching, the CWL Clothing Depot is especially asking for donations of winter wear: parkas, jackets, boots, sweaters, as well as comforters and blankets. Please drop items off at the back door of the CWL Clothing Depot, 619 20th Street West, Saskatoon between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Catholic Engaged Encounter (CEE) is an intensive weekend of marriage preparation, in which each couple is given opportunities to learn more about one another as they engage in meaningful discussions between themselves, dealing with all aspects of married life. 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 is designed to deepen and enrich relationships with one another, God, the Church and the world. Catholic Engaged Encounter weekends are held at St. Peter's Abbey in Muenster, SK with the next weekend to be held April 26-28. The fee for each couple includes meals and accommodations at picturesque St. Peter's Abbey for the entire weekend. Contact CEEmuenster@sasktel.net or see: www.ceewest.com.

Blood donors needed - There are 690,00 eligible donors in Saskatchewan but only two per cent donate. Hospital demands are outpacing donations. There is NO substitute for blood. Please tell your group or congregation about the need for donors. Consider organizing a group donation or individuals can book on their own at https://www.blood.ca/. December is a wonderful month to give the Gift of Life. It only takes one hour to save a life by donating blood. It is a fantastic way for an individual or a group to give and help in our community. The Saskatoon Canadian Blood Services center is located at 1206 Emerson Avenue (just off 8th Street). To schedule a group donation, please contact Lisa Beechinor at (306) 251-0986 or e-mail Lisa.Beechinor@blood.ca. (Note; a shuttle can be provided to pick up 10 donors at a time from a location.)

Help for Ukraine - Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) - The Ukrainian bishops of Canada are working together with their churches to join CNEWA's campaign to provide humanitarian relief in Ukraine: https://cnewa.org/campaigns/ukraine/

A Prayer for Ukraine: God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children at risk and in fear that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus the Prince of Peace. Amen. (Prayer from Congregation Leadership Team of Notre Dame de Sion / Sisters of Our Lady of Sion)

