



October, 2022

**Special Dates:**

**St Francis of Assisi** (October 4)

**Our Lady of the Rosary** (October 7)

**World Food Day** (October 16)

**World Mission Sunday** (October 23)

**Featured Diocesan Event: Diocesan Pastoral Council / DPC** (October 29)

In each diocese, in so far as pastoral circumstances suggest, a pastoral council is to be established. Its function, under the authority of the Bishop, is to study and weigh those matters which concern the pastoral works of the diocese, and to propose practical conclusions concerning them. (Canon 511).

A pastoral council is composed of members of Christ's faithful who are in full communion with the Catholic Church: clerics, members of institutes of consecrated life, and especially lay people (Canon 512 §1).

In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, Pope Francis called a worldwide Synod on Synodality, asking the members of the Church to meet and listen to each other. Our synthesis has been sent to the Canadian Catholic Bishops' Conference via the western Bishops and **so the focus of this Fall's DPC meeting will be a follow-up on the reflection that took place in our parishes this past year.**

"RENEWING OUR WALK TOGETHER AS A CHURCH WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT"  
Saturday October 29, 2022 St. Joseph Parish Hall 260-25 Street East, Prince Albert.

(For more details please check with your parish or on the Diocesan website)



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**Food for Thought!    The Assembly, a Community of Faith: Faith**

“Faith must be more than a lesson that has been learned from someone or from the catechism. It must be a living and dynamic faith that has its foundation in our life experience... Christians, called to conversion at every stage of life, are a people who answer ‘yes’ to God’s call. Their lives are shaped by the example of Christ, who entrusted the totality of his life to the Father, even to dying on the cross and being raised from the dead. Therefore, for the sacraments to be truly life-giving, this faith needs to develop and grow. Through the action of faith, we allow our lives to be taken up in the process of God’s self-communication, and be transformed. Within the community of the church, the people of God, the body of Christ, we publicly celebrate, in faith, God’s action in our lives... When the community comes together to give thanks and praise to God, it should experience God’s presence.”

(Preparing for Liturgy Series / ‘Preparing the Assembly to Celebrate’ by Kim Aldi-Wanner)