



## **DIOCESAN AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**March 18, 2024**

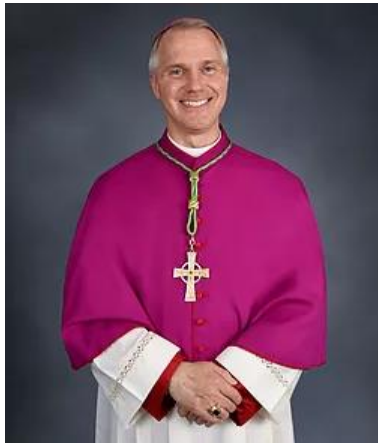
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### **EPISCOPAL**



The March 2024 clergy appointments from Bishop Stephen Hero for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert are available at the following link:

<https://www.padiocese.ca/bishopheroletters>

As we continue to journey through Lent, we are pleased to inform you that the **Palm Sunday** video of the series titled "Journey through Lent" is now available on the CCCB website:

in English: <https://www.cccb.ca/lent/>

in French: <https://www.cecc.ca/careme/>

Click [here](#) to read Most Rev. Stephen Hero's 2024 Share Lent letter in English.

Click [here](#) to read Most Rev. Stephen Hero's 2024 Share Lent letter in French.

Letters from Bishop Stephen Hero for the TRC Healing Response and Indigenous Reconciliation Fund in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert available in both English and French. <https://www.padiocese.ca/bishopheroletters>

## **CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS**



<https://www.cccb.ca/>



### **THE HOLY SEE**

[Link to Vatican News](#)

#### **LATEST IN VATICAN NEWS**

#### **JOIN POPE FRANCIS IN PRAYER EVERY DAY**

[Link to Pray with Pope Francis Daily](#)

If you would like to join Pope Francis in prayer every day, there is an app to make it easy: 'Click to Pray'

## **DIOCESAN EVENTS**

### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

#### **JUBILEE 2025 PREPARATION PRAYER**

This event will focus on Pope Francis' invitation to dedicate 2024 to prayer. "In preparation for the Jubilee, dioceses are invited to promote initiatives to remind people of the centrality of individual and community prayer."

In response to Pope Francis' invitation, Sr. Lise Paquette, the Diocesan Adult Faith Assistant, will offer five sessions on prayer during Lent using the resource *Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer* from Ascension Press.

Participant books are available through the Resource Center for \$20 plus \$5 for postage. To order your book, contact the Resource Center at 306-922-4747, extension 229 or email [resources@padiocese.ca](mailto:resources@padiocese.ca)

WHEN: Five Wednesdays, FEBRUARY 21, 28, and MARCH 6, 13 & 20

TIME: 1 - 2:30 p.m.

WHERE: In person at the Diocesan Center (1415 - 4th Avenue West) or via ZOOM

If you plan to attend these 5-sessions in person, please contact Sr. Lise at [adultfaith@padiocese.ca](mailto:adultfaith@padiocese.ca). If you plan to attend these sessions via Zoom, registration is required only once using the link below.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85301643862?pwd=VmdKUzFEeEpnWHJzeTNCVXQ3eUlxdz09>

### **CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING GUIDE**

<https://www.padiocese.ca/>

For information on Catholic Estate Planning, please follow the above link.

### **ECUMENISM**

<https://www.padiocese.ca/ecumenical-commission>

**EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS (OEC)**  
**Children, Youth & Adult Faith Formation**  
[catechetics@padiocese.ca](mailto:catechetics@padiocese.ca)

**CALLED AND GIFTED INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOP**

**THE CALLED & GIFTED INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOP**

... is the first of three steps in the C&G Discernment Process. During this five-session workshop, you will learn the Church's ancient teaching on charisms, the steps for discerning your God-given charisms, and how discerning your charisms can change your life, parish, and community.

This year, during the Lenten Season, there will be four opportunities to take step one of the Called & Gifted Discernment Process. Participants are required to purchase the Called & Gifted Discernment Process resource book. The cost is \$60 plus \$5 for mailing. These can be purchased by contacting Nicole at 306-922-4747, extension 228.

For those interested in taking Step One of the C&G Discernment Process, the five-session Introductory Workshop will be offered four times during Lent, twice on Zoom and twice in person, by the Diocesan Called & Gifted Team.

**MORNINGS** from 9:30 - 11:15 a.m. Tuesdays, Feb 27, Mar 5, 12, 19, & 26.

**EVENINGS** from 7:00 - 8:45 p.m. on Mondays, Feb 26, Mar 4, 11, 18, & 25.

There is also the option of taking the sessions in person. For the in-person events, the first session will be on Thursday evenings and the other four on Saturday.

In North Battleford, the first step of the Called & Gifted Discernment Process is being offered at the Light of Christ Learning Centre on Thursday, March 21, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 23, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

To register, email [ecassistant@padiocese.ca](mailto:ecassistant@padiocese.ca) or call Nicole at 306-922-4747, extension 228.

To download a printable poster, click [here](#).

**DIOCESAN WORKSHOPS WITH MARY MARTIN** - **Printable poster has been added**

**April Called & Gifted Events**

There will be two Called & Gifted events on the first weekend in April.



**On April 6 at St. Joseph Parish in Prince Albert from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**, the in-person Called & Gifted event is open to everyone in the Diocese. If you plan to attend, you must register for this event. Please register by Tuesday, April 2, using this link for the Saturday, April 6 Called & Gifted event: <https://forms.gle/qu9Sk9FvwL8SMCxG9>.

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**On April 7 at the Light of Christ Learning Center in North Battleford and on Zoom from 2 to 4 p.m.**, the new Called & Gifted prayer initiative will be introduced. *If you plan to attend, you must register for this event. Please register by Tuesday, April 2, using this link for the in-person and Zoom Sunday, April 7 Called & Gifted event: <https://forms.gle/ksCwrfE6D9pXeUSY8>.*



Blessings to all as we continue our Lenten journey.

To download a printable poster, click [here](#).

### **INDIGENOUS PEOPLES**

<https://www.padiocese.ca/indigenous-relations>

### **LITURGY**

[liturgy@padiocese.ca](mailto:liturgy@padiocese.ca)

A reminder of Copyrights, live-streaming, and technology in Churches is now available at [Copyright Guidelines](#)

### **CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST**

[Information on Confirmation and First Eucharist](#)

Please contact the Liturgy Office if you need a copy of the Order of Service or Congregational Booklets.

### **LITURGICAL RESOURCES**

Liturgy Resources Found [Here](#)

### **March Dates**

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (March 24)

Diocesan Chrism Mass (March 26) / 6:30pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral (Prince Albert)

The Sacred Paschal Triduum (March 28-30)

The Resurrection of the Lord (March 31)

The liturgy updates for March are available at <https://www.padiocese.ca/liturgy-commission>.

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

[Information on Marriage Preparation](#)

Please take a moment and check out the new options at the above link.

Go to <https://www.padiocese.ca/marriage-and-family-life> to read the World Ovulation Method Billings (WOOMB) International Congress April 2023 Rome report.

### **BATTLEFORD AND AREA MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND**

The Battleford's and Area Marriage Prep. Team is very happy to inform you that we will be hosting a Marriage Preparation Weekend on April 19-20/2024 at St. Vital Parish in Battleford. This weekend is open to all and registrations are on a first come, first serve basis. The cost of the weekend is \$150.00 which includes meals and reflection materials to help couples discern. The weekend starts Friday around 6:30 p.m. and concludes Saturday evening. Couples are responsible to register and find their own accommodations at Battlefords area hotels.

To register or if you need more information, please contact Fr. Greg at [gregelder@padiocese.ca](mailto:gregelder@padiocese.ca)

### ONLINE MASS TIMES

**Live Streamed Masses around the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert for Sundays until further notice:**

***Our Lady of Peace Parish, Meadow Lake*** – Fr. Uche Gabriel Umechikelu, MSP – Mass is live-streamed Sunday at 10:00 a.m. <https://www.facebook.com/Catholic-Church-Meadow-Lake-100614168252431/>

***St. Theresa Parish, Wakaw*** – Fr. Matthew Nguyen – Mass will be live-streamed

March 24 & 31 @ 11:00 a.m.; **March 30 @ 7:30 p.m.**

[https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=st.+theresa+parish+wakaw](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=st.+theresa+parish+wakaw)

<https://www.sttheresaparishwakaw.com/home>

### PASTORAL CARE

### SASKATCHEWAN PROLIFE ASSOCIATION AGM/CONVENTION



2024

SASKATCHEWAN

**PRO LIFE**

ASSOCIATION INC.

**AGM/Convention**

**APRIL 6, 2024**

Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon, SK

EVERY  LIFE MATTERS

Featuring:

- Amanda Achtman**  
*Dying to Meet You Project*
- Scott Hayward**  
*Right Now*
- Jake Klassen**  
*NCLN (National Campus Life Network)*
- Mike Schouten**  
*We Need A Law*

Start Time:	9:00 am
Opening Remarks	
Greetings	
Presentation 1:	9:30 – 10:15
Refreshment Break:	10:15 – 10:30
Presentation 2:	10:30 – 11:15
Presentation 3:	11:20 – 12:05
Lunch:	12:05 – 1:30
Break-Out Sessions:	1:30 – 2:30
	2:40 – 3:40
Refreshment Break:	3:40 – 3:50
AGM:	3:50 – 4:45
Banquet:	6:00 – 9:00

REGISTER - Phone: 306-352-3480 | Email: [info@saskprolife.com](mailto:info@saskprolife.com) | online: [saskprolife.com](http://saskprolife.com)

The Diocesan webpage for PASTORAL CARE has been updated! The theme for the 2024 CHAS Convention has been announced. Please check it out at <https://www.padiocese.ca/pastoral-care>

### **PERMANENT DIACONATE PROGRAM**

[permanentdiaconate@padiocese.ca](mailto:permanentdiaconate@padiocese.ca)

Together let us place our petitions for the fruitfulness of the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Prince Albert in the maternal hands of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary, asking her to watch over the candidates for this ministry who will proclaim the Word faithfully, serve the liturgy reverently, and care for the needs of the poor joyfully.

### **RESOURCE CENTRE - Library & Gift Shop**

Website: <https://www.padiocese.ca/resource-centre>

Email: [resources@padiocese.ca](mailto:resources@padiocese.ca)



### **The Resource Centre Library and Gift shop Come and see our selection of Sacramental gifts.**

The Resource Centre is open Monday to Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please call 306-922-4747 ext. 229 or email at [resources@padiocese.ca](mailto:resources@padiocese.ca) and I can assist you in finding resources from the Library and I can be your personal shopper in the Gift Shop. On the Diocesan website <https://www.padiocese.ca/resource-centre> you can see some of the beautiful gifts we have to offer.

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE**

<https://www.padiocese.ca/social-justice>

Pray for peace in Ukraine and in the Middle East

### **DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE**



## Offer Hope in the Light of Christ

**New!**

Hello,

I am writing to inform you that Development and Peace — Caritas Canada has just published a [joint statement on Gaza](#) with Caritas Australia and Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand.

This statement is a response to declarations that the prime ministers of the three countries had made last month and late last year. In the former, the prime ministers had called for a ceasefire and peace in Gaza. In the latter, they had reiterated that call; denounced Israel's planned invasion of Rafah; and urged it to "listen to the international community."

Our response was prompted by the lack of any indication from Israel that had heeded our prime ministers and by the rapidly worsening situation in Gaza. It came about from discussions that our executive director, Carl Hétu, recently had in Rome with his Caritas colleagues from Australia and New Zealand.

Our joint statement asks the prime ministers to do much more to secure a ceasefire, the release of hostages and detainees, and the establishment of a humanitarian corridor. We also make the case for preferring trucking over shipping and airdropping aid.

Given that many Canadian Catholics are deeply concerned about the situation in the Holy Land, especially during this Lenten season, it is important for them to know that we are keeping up our advocacy on the issue. We have therefore included this news in the newsletter that we sent to members this morning.

I would also request you to include it in your diocesan communications (website, newsletters, etc.) and to boost our post about it on [Facebook](#), [X \(Twitter\)](#) and [LinkedIn](#). Thank you for your support. Please accept our wishes for a blessed Lent.

Yours in solidarity,

Minaz Kerawala

## **DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

[WAY OF THE CROSS PDF](#)

[SOLIDARITY SNAKES AND LADDERS](#)

For current updates, please go to <https://padiocese.ca/development-and-peace>

## **VOCATIONS**

### **THE VOCATIONS COMMISSION**

<https://www.padiocese.ca/vocations-commission>

The Vocations Commission would like parishes to promote vocations by putting a Vocation Corner in your weekly bulletin.

**Year B.** These can be found at the above link.

Click [here](#) to read the 2023 November Vocations Newsletter.

The Vocations November Newsletter 2023 can be read at the following link: <https://www.padiocese.ca/vocations-commission>

**YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

**PRINCE ALBERT DIOCESE, YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

[youth@padiocese.ca](mailto:youth@padiocese.ca)

**2024 YOUTH RALLY**

**R.C. DIOCESE OF PRINCE ALBERT**

**Youth Rally!**

**FEATURING**

**FF FACETO FACE MINISTRIES**

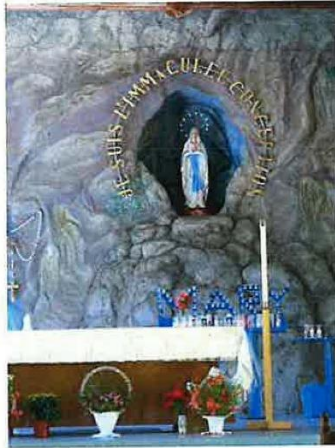
**MAY 4, 2024**

Prince Albert, SK  
For details contact  
[youth@padiocese.ca](mailto:youth@padiocese.ca)



**PARISH, SCHOOL, AND GROUP EVENTS**

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES SHRINE 50/50 RAFFLE - New!**



***OUR LADY OF LOURDES SHRINE***

***50/50 Raffle***

***Tickets \$5 each***

***Only 1000 tickets available***

***Draw date: Saturday May 4, 2024***

***At St. Joseph's Church Hall***

***Prince Albert, SK***

***License #SR23-5190***

***For tickets or information please call:***

***Darlene (306) 763-2813***

## **2024 PENTECOST RETREAT WITH 24 HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Theme:** The Holy Spirit is with You and will be in You (John 14:17)

**Venue:** Our Lady of Sorrow Parish Church, 103 1st Avenue, Paradise Hill, SK.

**Date:** Friday May 17, 3.00 pm – Saturday May 18, 3.00 pm

*When our praises & worship go up the Glory of God comes down.*

**P – U – S – H.**

**Pray Until Something Happens**

**Featuring Include:**

1. Fellowship & Praise/worship;
2. Eucharistic Adoration
3. Inspiring Talks;
4. Love Feast;
5. Testimonies;
6. Shared prayer;
7. Spiritual empowerment;
8. Holy Mass;
9. Healing Service.

Free-will donations for the meals will be highly appreciated.

Camp Ground is Available.

**Registration is Free. Just Call or text: 1-306-344-7897. Email:**

[kpsalzl@littleloon.ca](mailto:kpsalzl@littleloon.ca)

**Or Patty Fenrich: Ph. 1-306-480-5647. Email: [dap3fen@gmail.com](mailto:dap3fen@gmail.com)**

**Or Parish Office: Ph.: 1-306-344-2033**

Fr Frederick Akah, MSP, is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation And Confession

**COME HOLY SPIRIT**

### **TIME TABLE:**

#### **FRIDAY, May 17, 2024:**

3.00pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
And Divine Mercy Chaplet in song.

4.00pm - Personal Prayers & Reconciliation.

5.00pm - Divine Office & Spiritual Readings

5.30pm - Supper Break

6.30pm - Scriptural Rosary

7.00pm - Holy Mass

7.45pm - Praise & Worship

8.00pm - 1st Talk: **The Advocate will be with You Forever.**

8.40pm - TESTIMONIES

9.20pm - INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

10.00pm - Break

#### **MIDNIGHT: ALL NIGHT VIGIL WITH THE LORD**

##### **SATURDAY, May 18, 2024:**

7.00am - Good Morning Holy Spirit.

7.30am - Breakfast

9.00am - Holy Rosary, Personal Prayer & Reconciliation

9.30am - Holy Mass.

10.20am - Praise and Worship

10.40am - 2nd Talk: **Receive the Holy Spirit.**

11.20am - TESTIMONIES

12.00 noon - Lunch break

1.00pm - Worship! Worship!! Worship!!!

INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.  
2.20 pm - HEALING SERVICE  
2.45pm - BENEDICTION  
3.00pm - Departure


**LEOVILLE STATIONS OF THE CROSS 2024**

**LEOVILLE YOUTH GROUP**  
presents the Stations of the Cross  
on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
**Palm Sunday at 4:00 pm.**  
St. Joseph Calasanctius Church  
1942 98<sup>th</sup> Street North Battleford, SK.



**This is a very solemn and powerful performance of  
JESUS' journey to the cross in still-life form.  
All are welcome!**

## MSP/AMSP LENTEN RETREAT



**AMSP/MSP AND FRIENDS invite YOU to...**

### **A LENTEN RETREAT**

*A spiritual retreat for Spiritual Growth and Healing*

**St Joseph Calasanctius Parish, North Battleford.**  
**Saturday, March 23, 2024**  
10:00 am - 3:30 pm  
**Registration 9:30-10:00am**

- Morning Prayer (Divine Office).
- Talk by Fr. Peter Passe, MSP.
- Personal Prayer and Confession.
  - Lunch (Silver Collection)
  - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
- HEALING SERVICE by Fr. Frederick Akah, MSP.
  - Benediction.
- Mass: Fr. Peter Nnanga, MSP.

Kindly invite your friends and family members and indicate how many will be coming (*for food preparation*) when you register.

Register by Thursday, March 21, 2024.

Fr Peter Nnanga, MSP Phone/Text: 1-306-344-7867. Email: [pinnanga@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:pinnanga@yahoo.co.uk)  
or Germaine Vany, Chair AMSP Canada. Phone/Text: 1-306-398-7601 Email: [germvany@sasktel.net](mailto:germvany@sasktel.net)

## **OTHER EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ST. THERESE SPRING COURSES - New!**

**March 18 – April 26: SPRING COURSES - choose from 7 unique week-long courses at St. Therese Institute**

Invest in your faith by living and studying for a week at St. Therese Institute alongside our full-time students. These weeks provide vibrant, relevant courses for older teens and adults of all ages who want to live a deeply Christian life in the context of our post-Christian society. Register for your choice of course, or register for multiple weeks and take one course each week. On-site accommodations and meals included.

Limited space -- register / find out more about each course at [www.StTherese.ca/events](http://www.StTherese.ca/events) or call (306)369-2555.

- **March 18-22.** Choose between:
  - [Finding Your Calling: Tools of Ignatian Discernment](#), or
  - [Engaging the Real World: Principles of Catholic Education](#)
- **April 7-12.**
  - [The Gospel of the Body: Theology of the Body and the Mystery of Divine Love](#)
- **April 15-19.** Choose between:
  - [Pierced by Beauty – Christian Aesthetics and the Formation of the Catholic Imagination](#), or
  - [In God's Image: The Divine Plan for Relationships, Marriage, and Family](#)

- **April 21-26.** Choose between:
  - [The New Apologetics: Responding to the Faith in a Post-Christian Era](#), or
  - [Discovering a Holistic Sexuality: TeenSTAR Certification](#)

### **2024 GOOD FRIDAY OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS - New!**

**When: Friday, March 29 from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.**

**Where: Downtown Prince Albert (Beginning and ending at City Hall)**

This year children will receive a station of the cross prayer book with stickers.

Remember to dress for the weather

**Sponsored by The Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert**

For more information, call **306-922-4747**

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

New Year 2023 Information for the Knights of Columbus can be found at <https://www.padiocese.ca/knights-of-columbus>

### **QUEEN'S HOUSE RETREAT & RENEWAL CENTRE**

601 Taylor Street W, Saskatoon, SK S7M 0C9

**Phone:** 306-242-1916 • **Email:** [programming@queenshouse.org](mailto:programming@queenshouse.org) •

**Website:** [www.queenshouse.org](http://www.queenshouse.org)

Click [here](#) to read the letter from Queen's House, announcing the closing of our beloved retreat centre.

For current updates, please go to <https://padiocese.ca/queen-s-house-retreat-renewal-centr>

### **CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES**

Check out our [WEBSITE](#)

The list of the Winter/Spring programs has been updated on our website. - **New!**

### **RACHEL'S VINEYARD**

[r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net](mailto:r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net)

Are you hurting because of an abortion? Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing.

To speak to someone confidentially, please contact Elaine at (306) 480 - 8911 or email: [r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net](mailto:r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net)

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **DIOCESAN FACEBOOK PAGE AND TWITTER ACCOUNTS**

Besides the web page <https://www.padiocese.ca/>, the Diocese has both a Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/padiocese/> and Twitter account <https://twitter.com/padiocese>. In these accounts, we publish pictures, articles, and upcoming events.

To view Upcoming Diocesan Events follow the link, <https://www.padiocese.ca/events-calendar>.

Thank you so much for sharing these events with your parishioners, teachers and students to help set their hearts on fire. God bless.

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