



## **DIOCESAN AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**January 29, 2024**

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### **EPISCOPAL**



Click [here](#) to read the Letter from Most Rev. Stephen A. Hero's letter for Health Care and Compassionate Healer's Mass 2024 in English.

Click [here](#) to read the Letter from Most Rev. Stephen A. Hero's letter for Health Care and Compassionate Healer's Mass 2024 in French.

## **CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS**



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

Click [here](#) to read the 2023 Christmas Message from the CCCB.



### **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 EDUCATION**

### **JUBILEE 2025 PREPARATION PRAYER - New!**

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>

### **BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

The theme for the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal is "**Believe, Love, Share... Jesus**"

The Diocesan goal for the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal is \$450,000.

As of December 31, 2023, the amount pledged is **\$434,343.44** with 1,247 donors.

### **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>

## **CONTEMPLATIVE LISTENING - A FORMATION PROGRAM FOR THE MINISTRY OF SPIRITUAL DIRECTION - New!**

Facilitated by Archdiocese of Regina Spiritual Directors Group

This two-year program, September 2024 to June 2026, is limited to twelve persons who will meet once a month for ten months each year. It will include some retreats.

If you believe you are a possible candidate for this program and would like more information and an application form, contact Karen Ziegler (306) 527-2738, email: [k.ziegler@sasktel.net](mailto:k.ziegler@sasktel.net) or Dennis Ziegler (306) 539-7134, email: [d.ziegler@sasktel.net](mailto:d.ziegler@sasktel.net) before March 1, 2024.

For more information visit <https://archregina.sk.ca/group/spiritual-direction/>

## **EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS (OEC)**

### **Children, Youth & Adult Faith Formation**

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

## **DIOCESAN WORKSHOP WITH MARY MARTIN**

Please save the dates

Christmas is over, but we ALL still have gifts to be opened and discovered. All are invited to attend a Diocesan CALLED AND GIFTED Event with Mary Martin.

**Saturday, April 6 and Sunday Afternoon, April 7**

## **INDIGENOUS PEOPLES**

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

## **LITURGY**

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

A reminder of Copyrights, live-streaming, and technology

<https://www.padiocese.ca/indigenous-relations> 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](#)

## **February Dates**

World Day of the Sick /

Compassionate Healers Mass at St. Mark Parish, P.A. (February 11)

Ash Wednesday (February 14)

First Sunday of Lent / Rite of Election (February 18)  
Family Day, Sk. (February 19)  
Feast of the Chair of St. Peter, Apostle (February 22)

### **RITE OF ELECTION 2024**

Click [here](#) to read the Rite of Election 2024 Letter.

Click [here](#) to download the Rite of Election 2024 registration forms.

The liturgy updates for January 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

February 11, 18 & 25 @ 9:00 a.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**

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

A CCCB statement on the non-permissibility of MAiD in health organizations with a Catholic identity.

The statement on the Non-Permissibility of Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide within Canadian Health Organizations with a Catholic Identity is available:

In English: [Statement by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops on the Non-Permissibility of Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide within Canadian Health Organizations with a Catholic Identity - Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops \(cccb.ca\)](#)

In French: <https://www.cecc.ca/communiquede-presse/declaration-de-la-conference-des-vevues-catholiques-du-canada-sur-linterdiction-de-pratiquer-leuthanasie-et-le-suicide-assiste-dans-les-organismes-de-sante-dallegeance-cat/>

## **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**

## **PASTORAL LETTER ON THE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA**

With the approval of the Permanent Council, the CCCB Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace has today released its Pastoral Letter on the use of social media titled: "*Let Your Speech Always Be Gracious.*" The release is timed with the liturgical memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, who was known for his graciousness in speech and who is invoked as a patron saint of writers and publishers.

The Pastoral Letter responds to the priority assigned to the Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace by the Permanent Council in 2019.

It is available in electronic format and can be downloaded from the CCCB website:  
In English: <https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/bishops-release-a-pastoral-letter-on-the-use-of-social-media>

In French: <https://www.cecc.ca/annonce/les-eveques-publient-une-lettre-pastorale-sur-lutilisation-des-medias-sociaux>

It is also attached to this email in PDF format for your information and possible distribution in your diocese or eparchy.

### **PONTIFICAL MISSION SOCIETIES**

The mission of Christ the Redeemer, entrusted to each one of us, is still far from completion.

We pray that our small but courageous group can grow and enlist the help of others.

As we embark on this new year, please pray for new supporters to Christ's mission.

Four Societies. One Mission.

Pontifical Mission Societies and its work

#### **Four societies united by a common mission.**

Pontifical Mission Societies — comprising four in total — educates Catholics on their baptismal call to mission and invites each one of us to play our own part in Christ's call to mission. This mission is what unites our four societies.

#1 - **Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith** (est. 1822)

Supports new local Churches or those with great needs for basics/essentials.

#2 - **Pontifical Society of the Holy Childhood** (est. 1843)

Educates Catholic children on their baptismal call to mission and invites them to play their part.

#3 - **Pontifical Society of St. Peter the Apostle** (est. 1889)

Supports local vocations in new or young Churches around the world.

#4 - **Pontifical Missionary Union** (est. 1916)

Animates and forms the faithful baptized in their missionary responsibility through the pastoral service of the bishops and priests according to the motto "All the Church for all the world".

### **DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE**



### **Offer Hope in the Light of Christ**

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.

**COME AND SEE**



*Come and see*

**Feb 16 - 19**  
**Saskatoon**

**To register:**



Sr. April Mireau  
306-531-9937  
aprilmireau@gmail.com



Sisters of the Presentation of Mary

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)

**WORLD YOUTH DAY LIVESTREAM YOUTUBE VIDEO**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HJ8AjsGl\\_28&t=8s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HJ8AjsGl_28&t=8s)

**PARISH, SCHOOL, AND GROUP EVENTS**

**ST. ODILON SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE - New!**

***SHROVE TUESDAY  
PANCAKE SUPPER***

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024

4:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.

DUCK LAKE BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

IN THE PARISH CENTRE

BY DONATION



AFTER SUPPER

PLEASE JOIN US FOR MASS

With Bishop Stephen Hero AT 7:00 P.M.



**CWL VALENTINE LUNCHEON - New!**



# **CWL VALENTINE LUNCHEON**

**St. Joseph Calasanctius  
Parish Hall – 1942 98<sup>th</sup> Street  
North Battleford**

**Tuesday February 13, 2024  
11:30 am – 1:00 pm**

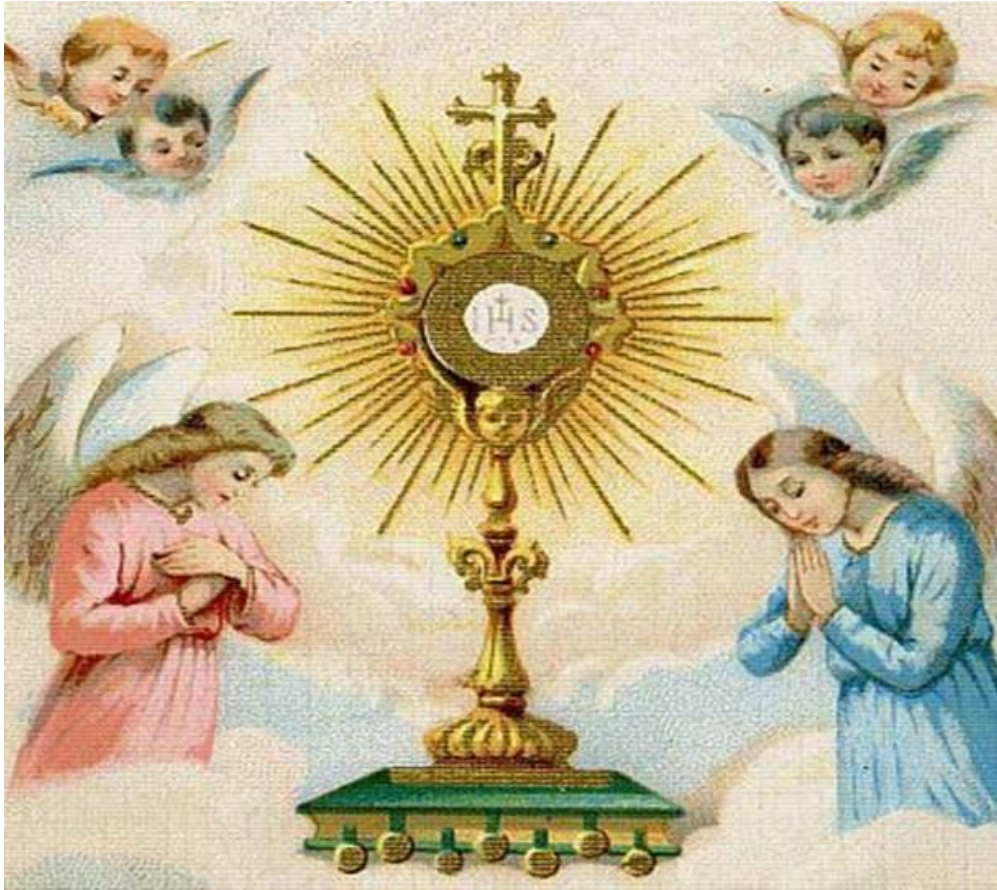
**Cost: Silver Collection**

**Menu: Soup, Buns and Dainties**

**\*\*There will be Door Prizes**

## **24 HOURS OF ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Come Let Us Adore Him For He is Our God



**VENUE: Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Paradise Hill, SK.**

Healing service and Anointing of the Sick on Saturday @ 2.00pm

***You are free to spend your night, resting with the Lord in the Church***

**Free-will donation for meals will be highly appreciated**

**Registration is Free. Just Call: 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*

### **TIME TABLE:**

#### **FRIDAY, March 1, 2024:**

- 3.00pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
And Divine Mercy Chaplet in song.
- 4.00pm - Personal Adoration, Prayers, Reconciliation / Confessions
- 5.00pm - Divine Office & Spiritual Readings
- 5.30pm - Supper Break

- 6.30pm - The Way of the Cross
- 7.00pm - Holy Mass
- 8.00pm - Personal Adoration & Prayers
- 8.30pm - Scriptural Rosary
- 9.30pm - Holy Hour & Prayer of Intercession
- 10.00pm - Break

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

**SATURDAY, March 2, 2024:**

- 7.00am - Breakfast
- 9.30am - Holy Rosary
- 10.00am - Holy Mass
- 10.45am - Personal Prayer and Reconciliation
- 11.15am - Praise and worship Songs
- 11.45am - Lunch break
- 1.00pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet in song
  
- 2.00 pm - HEALING SERVICE AND ANOINTING
- 2.45pm - BENEDICTION
- 3.00pm - Departure

**OTHER EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**2024 LENTEN LUNCH SERIES**

*The Prince Albert  
Ministerial Association  
invites you to the*

**2024**

**Lenten Lunch Series**  
*A time of Worship and Fellowship*

**Thursdays at Noon**  
**February 15 to March 21**

Calvary United Church  
114-25<sup>th</sup> Street East



A free will offering will be collected  
and donated to a local charity.

**BREATH CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CONFERENCE**

**Refresh & Recharge Your Marriage! Save \$50 when you register by Feb.14th!**

Experience the Breathe Catholic Marriage Conference - March 8-9, 2024 in Saskatoon at Holy Family Cathedral. For more info, contact Denise at 306-369-2220.

Register at: <https://www.catholicmarriageandfamily.com/>

**BILLINGS OVULATION METHOD WORKSHOP AND FREE INFORMATION NIGHT -  
Registration Deadline Added**

NFP-SK PRESENTS:

**Billings Ovulation Method WORKSHOP and Free Information Night**

St. Therese Institute, Bruno, SK

St. Therese Institute, 650 Ursuline Ave., Bruno, SK

Highway 5 just 1 hr/16min. from Saskatoon.

**March 1,2, and 3, 2024**

\*Have you experienced a change in your fertility? Breastfeeding? Peri-menopause?  
\* Need a refresher on your charting? Experiencing irregular cycles? Trying to conceive?  
Join us for the **Free Information Night at 7:00pm**, St. Therese Institute.

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Interested in sharing this amazing, easy, economical method with friends and family? Join us for the

Full Workshop with teacher trainer, Shawna Van Uden:

Billings Ovulation Teacher-Training Workshop

March 1, 2 and 3, 2024

**Pre-register before February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

*Costs include workshop, meals and accommodation for 3 days: \$200.00*

*Accommodation only on Friday night. Saturday 3 meals and accommodation. Sunday 2 meals.*

**WHO CAN ATTEND?**

\*Individuals interested in fertility awareness including various stages in a woman's reproductive life: menarche, breastfeeding, peri-menopausal.

\*Health care providers such as physicians, functional medicine practitioners, naturopaths, chiropractors, midwives, nurses, or anyone else with an interest in women's health may audit this workshop with no prior training in the Billings Ovulation Method®. Contact us if you have questions about auditing.

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Promoting and teaching the Billings Ovulation Method® throughout Saskatchewan

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FMI, call or text Marcy at: 306-276-7954

Help us share this important information.

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK RESOURCES**

On 10 January 2024, the Vatican published Pope Francis' [message](#) for the 32nd World Day of the Sick, celebrated each year on February 11. The Holy Father's message for this year is entitled: **"It is not good that man should be alone". Healing the Sick by Healing Relationships.**

Echoing the Holy Father's message, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) renews its commitment to prayer and accompaniment of the sick. Pope Francis reminds us of the fundamental importance of human relationships in the process of healing and comforting the sick.

The CCCB Office for Family and Life has compiled and developed some resources to help promote World Day of the Sick 2024. A Google Drive folder is now available to support those responsible for family and life ministry and other relevant contacts in your diocese or eparchy. The folder includes the [CCCB press release](#) to be issued 29 January 2024, the Pope's message, a video, social media assets, a prayer card and pastoral suggestions for families and parishes.

To access the Drive, please click on the following links:

[Pastoral Toolkit - World Day of the Sick](#)

[Trousse pastorale – Journée mondiale du malade](#)

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

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

### **SASKATCHEWAN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS VOCATIONS ENDOWMENT FUND - New!**

Sask KofC Vocations Endowment Weekend In 2018 the Bishops of Saskatchewan partnered with the Sask K of C Charitable Foundation to create the Sask K of C Vocations Endowment. The proceeds from this Endowment are disbursed on an annual basis equally to each seminarian throughout all Saskatchewan Dioceses, Eparchy and Abbey to help defray the \$30,000.00 per year it costs to educate each Seminarian. In support of the K of C Vocation Endowment, local Knights of Columbus Councils will participate with Parishes in a fundraising campaign during the weekends of February, 2024. More details about the Vocation Endowment, including photos of the Seminarians from Saskatchewan, can be found at the Foundation's website [https://saskkofc.foundation/sask-k-of\[1\]c-vocations/](https://saskkofc.foundation/sask-k-of[1]c-vocations/). The Bishops, Dioceses, KofC and Catholic faithful thank you in advance for your generous Prayers and financial assistance in support of the formation and development of Seminarians.

### **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](#)

### **GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER**



**It's a winning situation!**

Purchase Co-op gift cards in support of Catholic Family Services and get the full value of what you pay in the form of a card(s) which you can then use to make purchases at a Co-op other than for agricultural goods.

**Co-op gift cards will be on sale from February 12 – February 21, 2024.**

Cards can be used anywhere there is a Co-op, both in and outside of SK; for groceries, pump-gas, pharmacies, liquor, hardware & lumber.

**Order your cards by contacting any of the following Board Members:**

Margaret Duncombe      [mduncombe@sasktel.net](mailto:mduncombe@sasktel.net)    // 306.960.3102  
Jeannette Eddolls        [jeannette.m@skyvelocity.ca](mailto:jeannette.m@skyvelocity.ca)   // 306.960.4648

**Payments** are to be made to the seller of the cards.

You can expect to **receive your purchased cards** no later than **March 2, 2024**.

**We thank you for your anticipated support!**

### **HOST FAMILIES FOR JAPANESE STUDENTS**



### **HOST FAMILIES NEEDED**

**21 female high school students from Japan will be coming to Prince Albert from March 19 - March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.**

They will be attending classes at St. Mary High School on school days. Evenings and weekends are with the families.

**We are in need of host families for that time period. Honorariums are provided to hosts.** If you are interested; please contact:

**Jeannette Eddolls 306.960.4648 // [jeannette.m@skyvelocity.ca](mailto:jeannette.m@skyvelocity.ca)**

The list of the Fall/Winter programs has been updated on our website.

### **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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