



DIOCESAN AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 11, 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>
- **Link fixed**

New! As we continue to journey through Lent, we are pleased to inform you that the **Fifth Sunday of Lent** 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/>

For your information, a press release on the *International Meeting of the Bishops of the Church in the Americas*, which took place from February 26 to 28 in Tampa, Florida. The twelve bishops attending included bishops from *El Consejo Episcopal Latinoamericano y Caribeño* (CELAM), The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), and The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

The press release is also available in electronic format on the CCCB website:

In English: [International meeting of the Church in the Americas - Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops \(ccb.ca\)](#)

In French: [Rencontre internationale de l'Église en Amérique - Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops \(cecc.ca\)](#)



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

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. 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

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 or call Nicole at 306-922-4747, extension 228.

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

DIOCESAN WORKSHOPS WITH MARY MARTIN - New!

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>.

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.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

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

LITURGY

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

Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP) (March 17)

St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (March 19)

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

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 17, 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.sttheresaparishwakaw.com/home>

PASTORAL CARE

SASKATCHEWAN PROLIFE ASSOCIATION AGM/CONVENTION - **New!**

— 2024 —

SASKATCHEWAN

PRO LIFE

ASSOCIATION of

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 | online: 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

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



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 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

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

[WAY OF THE CROSS PDF](#)

[SOLIDARITY SNAKES AND LADDERS](#)

SHARE LENT 2024

Share Lent is nearly upon us! Please note that +Archbishop Murray Chatlain has graciously recorded a video of his support for Development and Peace. Would you be able to do one of the following: Send this out as part of your email updates, create an article on Share Lent (feel free to contact me), or send this directly to the parishes? I'd be very grateful!

<https://youtu.be/mVDNBcuJptM>

I'm also including a link to our Lenten mini-mag. It contains CCCB president + Bishop William McGrattan's letter of support, information on our partners and an update on our movement! Printed copies are still available at our SK regional office, just ask for them. https://devp.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/EN_2024_minimag.pdf

We also have an update from Caritas Jerusalem and the ongoing lifesaving efforts in Gaza available here: <https://youtu.be/3viY5erfYOM>

In solidarity,
Michael LeBlanc

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

2024 YOUTH RALLY

R.C. DIOCESE OF PRINCE ALBERT

Youth Rally!

FEATURING
FACETOFACE
MINISTRIES

MAY 4, 2024
Prince Albert, SK
For details contact
youth@padiocese.ca

PARISH, SCHOOL, AND GROUP EVENTS

2024 PENTECOST RETREAT WITH 24 HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION -

New!

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

Or Patty Fenrich: Ph. 1-306-480-5647. Email: 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 - New!

LEOVILLE YOUTH GROUP
presents the Stations of the Cross
on Sunday, March 24th, 2024.
Palm Sunday at 4:00 pm.
St. Joseph Calasanctius Church
1942 98th 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
or Germaine Vany, Chair AMSP Canada. Phone/Text: 1-306-398-7601 Email: germvany@sasktel.net

OTHER EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SASKATOON EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Employment Opportunity – Migration Office Coordinator: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is seeking a full-time, permanent Coordinator for the Office of Migration, working in the area of refugee sponsorship, with the position based at the Catholic Pastoral Centre in Saskatoon, and beginning July 1, 2024. The Migration Office Coordinator provides administrative support and formation to parishes sponsoring and resettling individuals and families; monitors parishes/constituent groups to ensure the diocese's responsibilities as a Sponsorship Agreement Holder are met; and promotes awareness about refugee sponsorship in the diocese. For more details see the posting at <https://rcdos.ca/employment>. To apply, please email resume and cover letter to jekeng@rcdos.ca using the subject "Migration Office Coordinator" before the deadline of midnight, March 31, 2024.

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
114-25th Street East



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

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

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 Seminararians 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 Seminararians.

QUEEN'S HOUSE RETREAT & RENEWAL CENTRE

601 Taylor Street W, Saskatoon, SK S7M 0C9

Phone: 306-242-1916 • Email: programming@queenshouse.org •

Website: 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](#)

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 31st, 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

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

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

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

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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