



# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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## Our Mission Statement

*Inspired by the Holy Spirit we are a Eucharistic community called by God  
To share the love of Jesus Christ and create a welcoming parish of renewal and mission.*



September 10, 2023 | Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 33:7-9 | Rom 13:8-10 | Mt 18:15-20

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Years ago, I was asked to take in a hound dog and I was happy to do so, but it wasn't until I brought the dog home that I discovered how adamantly opposed my husband was to the idea. When asked, he had never said "no," but he thought I should just know he didn't want the dog. Obviously, we needed to work on our communication skills! Proper communication and what it means to love in relationship are what come to mind when I hear the start of today's Gospel. Jesus is instructing us on what to do when another angers, hurts, or offends us. Not surprisingly, it doesn't include calling our sister or best friend to vent, or posting about it on social media, regardless of how vaguely we word the situation. Instead we are to go to that person directly and "tell him his fault between you and him alone." If they listen, we have won them over. How many times have others hurt us but we never bother to tell them? How often do we simply assume the other person knows they have done us wrong? We owe it to one another to be honest and upfront – to give the other person a chance to apologize and us a chance to extend forgiveness. We also owe it to one another to be willing to receive *them* in charity, open-hearted, when they come to us to speak of *our* faults.

## GO EVANGELIZE

### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In the same way that the Gospel addresses speaking truth to another and "winning them over," the prophet Ezekiel recounts the Lord's instruction to him that he has a duty to "speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way." This, of course, was the role and mission of the prophets. To make known the word and law of God and call the people to respond. A prophet warned, counseled, taught, and encouraged. They called the people to obedience to God, denouncing idolatry, injustice, and empty rituals. Jesus himself came as priest, prophet, and king and by our baptism, "the whole People of God participates in these three offices of Christ and bears the responsibilities for mission and service that flow from them." (CCC 783) Through the centuries, people have tried to do this in various ways – from passing laws to standing on street corners with signs. But let's remember that even as we are meant to "speak out," we are also meant to listen. We too must be re-converted to the truth when we sin; we too must be dissuaded from our wicked ways. This is how we best fulfill our prophetic mission.

**PRAY** Witnessing to Christ in today's world sometimes feels overwhelming or hopeless. Spend some concerted time in prayer with the words from today's psalm: "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

SEPTEMBER 10	SEPTEMBER 11	SEPTEMBER 12	SEPTEMBER 13	SEPTEMBER 14	SEPTEMBER 15	SEPTEMBER 16
10a Mass 12p Mass 1-4p Adoration 7p Mass	7p Parish Life Committee	8:30a Mass 5:30p CWL Mass Potluck to follow	8:30a Mass 4-5p Children's Choir 7p Adoration	8:30a Mass 9:30a Holy Cross High School Mass 7p Parish Council	8:30a Mass	11a-12p Confession 5p Mass

## THIS WEEK



*Wednesday Adoration resumes September 13 at 7pm.*

*All are welcome!*

*"As we gather here today, we acknowledge we are on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respect to the First Nations and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another."*

## MASS TIMES

**Saturday** 5 pm  
**Sunday** 10 am, 12 noon, 7 pm  
Weekdays, Tues. - Fri. 8:30 am

## ADORATION

Wednesdays 7 pm  
Fridays, 9 am - 12 pm  
Sundays, 1 - 4 pm

## CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 11 am - 12 noon  
*or by appointment.*

## WE PLEDGE 5%

The Micah Mission exists as an expression of the church's calling to "**do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with our God.**" (Micah 6. 6-8)

Guided by the principles of Restorative Justice, Micah is motivated to create a world where individuals and communities are restored to caring and respectful relationships in the wake of harm from crime. Our mission is to transform the lives of incarcerated individuals, formerly incarcerated individuals, and their families. We do this by being "**tough on crime one friendship at a time**". How is friendship being tough on crime? It is a vital part of community restoration, and offers individuals who cause harm an opportunity to understand the harm they have caused and develop plans to take appropriate responsibility by valuing personal change, accountability, and encouraging collaboration and reintegration rather than coercion and isolation. [www.themicahmission.org](http://www.themicahmission.org)

## LET US PRAY

- For the sick and all those that care for them, today we pray for: Bev Kirilenko, Father Bernard De Margerie, Veronica Lange, Riel Larocque, Leon Hartman, Betty Anne Tomney, Bob Kudel, Quinn Gorman, we pray to the Lord.
- For all those who have died, today we remember: Armand Jutras, Archbishop Adam Exner, Ed Grabowski, Wes Stevenson, Irene Kalin, we pray to the Lord.

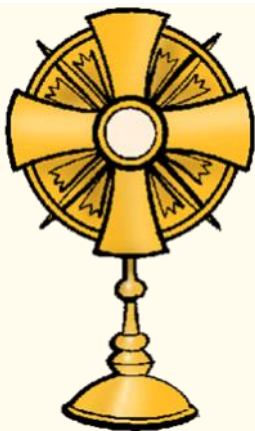


*Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for Us!*



## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated at Holy Spirit Parish on **Saturday, September 23 following the 5:00 pm Mass.**



## ADORATION SIGN IN

To better insure that there is always someone praying before the Blessed Sacrament during our Friday and Sunday times of Adoration, we are asking people to sign in and leave a contact number and the time you attended. It is always a goal to have at least 2 people present at all times. By signing in hopefully we will be able to see if there are certain times that need to have more people in attendance.

Thank you for your assistance with this!

**Please Note:** Additional parking is available on Sundays in the mall parking lots north and east of the church.

**Mass at 5:30pm followed by Potluck Supper**

Come and join in a nice social evening, catch up with old friends and maybe meet some new ones. Bring you favorite potluck dish to share.

We ask that everyone bring their own plate and cutlery as well to cut down on the clean up at the end.



Welcome, ladies of Holy Spirit Parish! The **Walking With Purpose Bible Study** is back!

Walking with Purpose is a bi-monthly study that aims to bring women a deeper, personal relationship with Christ through personal study and small group discussions. It links our everyday challenges and struggles to the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Church. Over the next two years we will be studying the book, *"Touching the Divine"*. Cost is approximately \$45. We will be **meeting every other Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:00 am beginning October 24th, 2023.**

For more information and to register **by September 23rd**, please **contact Tanya Waslen** at [holyspiritwvp1@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritwvp1@gmail.com).

**Brand new this year**, we are offering a study aimed specifically at young women/mothers. Childcare will be provided. Please contact Tanya Waslen for more information [holyspiritwvp1@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritwvp1@gmail.com)



**Family Connection**

Conflict and disagreements are a natural part of family life. Yet, within our family, we have an important opportunity to learn how to resolve disagreements fairly by treating people with love and respect.

As you gather as a family this week, discuss the procedures for resolving disputes in your family. What kinds of things produce disagreements in your family? Do children frequently request the assistance of the adults when a disagreement arises? How do the adults respond? In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches his disciples the way in which they are to handle conflict within the Christian community of the Church. Read together this Gospel, Matthew 18:15-20. Invite family members to summarize the steps that Jesus proposes for resolving conflict. How might today's Gospel inform your family's handling of disagreements? If you have time, your family might choose to role play how Jesus' teaching about conflict resolution might be applied to a disagreement that sometimes occurs in your household.

In today's Gospel, Jesus also promises that he will help those who pray to him with their needs. Pray together that each member of your family will learn to handle conflict in a Christian manner.

Pray together the [Peace Prayer of Saint Francis](#).

*Peace Prayer of Saint Francis*

**Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:**

**where there is hatred, let me sow love;**

**where there is injury, pardon;**

**where there is doubt, faith;**

**where there is despair, hope;**

**where there is darkness, light;**

**where there is sadness, joy.**

**O divine Master, grant that I may not so much  
seek**

**to be consoled as to console,**

**to be understood as to understand,**

**to be loved as to love.**

**For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.**

*Amen.*

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If you need prayer, support, a visit (with the Eucharist or otherwise), Anointing of the Sick, or assistance with funeral planning, Ministry of Care is just a phone call or email away.

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### WAYS TO DONATE TO HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

- 1. Sign up for Pre-Authorized Giving** Registration [forms](#) are available at the church office, online on our parish website, or via email. Donate using debit or credit card.
- 2. Interac e-Transfer using online banking:** send e-transfer to [finance@holyspiritsaskatoon.ca](mailto:finance@holyspiritsaskatoon.ca) (it is directly deposited, no password needed). Please put your full name and envelope number in the message box along with any special offering designation.
- 3. Parish Offertory:** <https://dscf.ca/parish-offertory/>
- 4. Mail envelopes to the church:** 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon, SK, S7J 3V7
- 5. Drop envelopes off at church:** Put envelopes into the office door mail slot.
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*The Anointing of the Sick*  
*the healing sacrament of the living*

Jesus calls each of us to bring compassion and healing to those who are sick. The care of the sick is the responsibility of us all.

The one who is sick may feel alienated and isolated. Through the celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church expresses its love and asks God's help for those who are sick.

**The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick  
will be celebrated at Holy Spirit Parish on  
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following the 5:00 pm Mass.**



# Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

September 10, 2023

## It's None of My Business

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

This statement might sound like we are respecting the independence of others. It is none of our business how they live their lives, how they behave in society, how they worship God. We mind our own business; they mind theirs. After all, are we our brother's or sister's keepers?

Today's readings challenge this attitude. Ezekiel is told that he must proclaim God's will to the Israelites. If he reneges in his calling and someone dies in guilt, Ezekiel will be held responsible for that death. However, if the wicked refuse to hear this message, their death

in guilt will be their own doing, for one must freely accept God's word. In the Gospel, Jesus outlines a way for his disciples to lead sinners back to the community. Both Ezekiel and the disciples have responsibilities to those who are not living faithfully. They both take steps to call them back. In this sense, they act as their brother's or sister's keeper. However, they do not meddle in the other's business. The sinner must freely decide to return. God does not force repentance.

This might be a hard message. Who wants to step up and point out another's error in leaving the Church? However, if we are really concerned, we will do what we can to bring them back. We might not proclaim like the prophet or the disciples did. But the way we live our lives should show them the true value in being a faithful follower of Jesus. †

## Sunday Readings

### Ezekiel 33:7-9

I have appointed you as a sentinel for the house of Israel.

### Romans 13:8-10

The commandments...are summed up in this saying, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

### Matthew 18:15-20

[Jesus said,] "If your brother sins [against you], go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother."

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decide to return.  
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## A Word from Pope Francis

When we see a mistake, a fault, a slip, in a brother or sister, usually the first thing we do is to go and recount it to others, to gossip. And gossip closes the heart to the community, closes off the unity of the Church. The great gossip is the devil.

ANGELUS, ROME, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020



## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

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- Is your life an example of the values of your faith?
- Pray for those you love who have left the practice of the faith.

# Gentle Confrontation

Paige Byrne Shortal

Nowhere in the Bible is there a suggestion that we will get along without disagreements. In today's Gospel reading from Matthew, we hear Jesus tell us what to do when there is a serious conflict. The process remarkably resembles what the folks in Alcoholics Anonymous call an "intervention."

*"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother."*

Scary, huh? Who wants to confront someone in person, directly and alone? Jesus says it's the first necessary step. The best way to approach is to first remind yourself that you love the other person and then confront him or her without malice or vindictiveness. Try simply stating how you feel; how the person's actions affect you. It's called an "I-Statement." Example: "When you drink too much, I feel afraid and angry."



"If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you so that every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses." This is the classic intervention. During this encounter the concern for the other person must be obvious at all times. The goal is to make it clear that the behavior is harming others and can no longer be supported or tolerated. If the problem is such that

special help is needed, it's good to have a plan in place—perhaps the phone number of a counselor, a nearby AA meeting that day, an appointment with a professional.

*"If he refuses to listen to them, tell the Church."* Notice, that going public is the third step, not the first! We involve the community only when the first two steps have failed.

*"And if they refuse to listen even to the Church, treat them as you would a Gentile or tax collector."* Jesus is referring here to those who do not belong. It is his version of tough love. We are not to hate or harm the person, but in order to render them unable to do any further harm to the community, we must ignore them.

With each step we take to help another, we must pray, remembering the promise of Jesus: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." †

## The Younger Son By Henri Nouwen

The younger son's return takes place in the very moment that he reclaims his sonship, even though he has lost all the dignity that belongs to it. In fact, it was the loss of everything that brought him to the bottom line of his identity. He hit the bedrock of his sonship. In retrospect, it seems that the prodigal had to lose everything to come into touch with the ground of his being. When he found himself desiring to be treated as one of the pigs, he realized that he was not a pig but a human being, a son of his father. This realization became the basis for his choice to live instead of to die.

*In My Own Words, page 68*



*Generous God, help us to accept others as we want to be accepted; to love as we want to be loved. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*

The Redemptorists

## WEEKDAY READINGS

September 11–16

**Monday, Weekday:**

Col 1:24—2:3 / Lk 6:6–11

**Tuesday, Weekday:**

Col 2:6–15 / Lk 6:12–19

**Wednesday, St. John Chrysostom:**

Col 3:1–11 / Lk 6:20–26

**Thursday, Exaltation of the Holy Cross:**


Nm 21:4b–9 / Phil 2:6–11 / Jn 3:13–17

**Friday, Our Lady of Sorrows:**

1 Tm 1:1–2, 12–14 / Jn 19:25–27 or Lk 2:33–35

**Saturday, Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian:**

1 Tm 1:15–17 / Lk 6:43–49

Bringing Home  
the Word 

September 10, 2023

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**Sunday, Sep 10, 2023**

### **The long loneliness**

"Church" means assembly: It is not good for us to be alone. Today's Suicide Prevention Day reminds us that loneliness is an unhealthy condition. More than 700,000 people die by suicide each year: about 132 a day in the United States. For every suicide, there are more than 20 attempts. Mental illness and substance abuse contribute to the crisis, but marginalized groups are at highest risk: migrants, indigenous people, those who identify as LGBTQ+, and prisoners. The feeling of alienation is real but also preventable. Call or text the crisis hotline at 988 to seek help for yourself or someone you love.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20 (127). *"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."*

**Monday, Sep 11, 2023**

### **A day to remember those who gave everything**

Today, the anniversary of the largest terrorist attack in American history, is a day to call to mind those who rushed in to help, at great cost. The first certified fatality of the attacks was Father Mychal Judge, Franciscan friar and New York City Fire Department chaplain, who rushed to the World Trade Center to help. During his life, he was known for ministering to the marginalized and for the words on a prayer card he often distributed: "Lord, take me where you want me to go. Let me meet who you want me to meet. Tell me what you want me to say. And keep me out of your way." Honor his legacy and make his humble prayer yours today.

TODAY'S READINGS: Colossians 1:24-2:3; Luke 6:6-11 (437). *"Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath rather than to do evil, to save life rather than to destroy it?"*

**Tuesday, Sep 12, 2023**

### **On Earth we your children invoke your sweet name**

Names are a big deal in the Bible. More than a moniker, the names of people—and God—capture, convey, and even conjure a being's very essence. It's why the Hebrews refused, out of respect, to speak God's holiest name and why "taking the Lord's name in vain" is forbidden. We see in biblical history how life-changing experiences prompt a person's change of name, as when Sarai becomes Sarah and Saul becomes Paul. When Jesus talks of acting "in my name," he affirms a power and presence invoked by simply uttering his name. Today, heed Venerable Bruno Lanteri, founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary, who instructed: simply "think of Mary, call on Mary."

MEMORIAL OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

TODAY'S READINGS: Colossians 2:6-15; Luke 6:12-19 (438). *"He chose Twelve, whom he also named Apostles: Simon, whom he named Peter, ..."*

**Wednesday, Sep 13, 2023**

### **Always speak the words of light**

With seemingly never-ending revelations of ministerial misconduct, today's feast of Saint John Chrysostom is a sight for sore eyes. The eminent fourth-century preacher and teacher—whose name is a transliteration of the Greek for "golden mouth"—was surely a product of his day. But he was also guided by the Holy Spirit, who inspired him to be baptized as an adult and denounce corruption in the church while serving as a priest and

later as archbishop of Constantinople. As we remember his legacy today, let's take courage to also stand for truth and against all that dishonors the call of the gospel.

MEMORIAL OF JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 6:20-26 (439). *"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God."*

**Thursday, Sep 14, 2023**

### **By the wood of the cross**

Today's feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross goes back to early days in church history. Saint Helena was the mother of Emperor Constantine (the first Roman emperor to embrace the faith), and Helena is said to have found the actual crucifix of Jesus in Jerusalem in the fourth century, spurring significant devotion to the Holy Cross. This devotion has had staying power perhaps because it helps believers to reflect upon the saving power of Jesus' death. Today when something presents itself as a "cross" to you, take a few moments to contemplate the cross of Christ.

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

TODAY'S READINGS: Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17 (638). *"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish."*

**Friday, Sep 15, 2023**

### **I feel your pain**

Anyone who loves will experience sorrow. It can't be helped. When a loved one suffers, we suffer. The church looks to Our Lady of Sorrows during those difficult times. Mary has been pierced by the sword of sorrow many times, including the seven noted by tradition: The prophecy of Simeon, the Flight into Egypt, the lost child Jesus later found in the Temple, meeting Jesus on the road to Calvary, the Crucifixion, and Jesus' removal from the cross and his burial. Listen to the aching beauty of the Stabat Mater hymn recited each year on this memorial and know that you are not alone in your suffering. Mary's empathy is one of the saving graces of our faith. She knows how we feel, and sometimes that's all it takes to get us past the pain.

MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 (441); John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35 (639). *"And you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."*

**Saturday, Sep 16, 2023**

### **Care for the creation God entrusts to us**

High above our heads the ozone layer of the stratosphere absorbs enough of the sun's deadly ultraviolet radiation to make possible life on Earth. But just a few decades ago an alarming depletion of the ozone layer generated worldwide concern over resulting increases in skin cancer, cataracts, and other health issues. These concerns led to the adoption of the Montreal Protocol in 1987, celebrated today, which bans the production of chemicals that cause ozone depletion. In his 2015 encyclical *Laudato si'*, Pope Francis applauds the Protocol for helping to protect the Earth, our common home. What can you do for our Earth today?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 1:15-17; Luke 6:43-49 (442). *"Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' but not do what I command?"*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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# Diocesan Bulletin

Sept. 10, 2023 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*In all things we are rooted in Christ,  
in His desire to bring God's love to all peoples.*

## Upcoming Events

**Centring Prayer** – St. Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Dr., Saskatoon will host Centring Prayer 3:15 p.m. **every Wednesday**.

**Knights of Columbus Brothers' Keepers Breakfast** will be held 7 to 8 a.m. **Tuesday, Sept. 12** at Queen's House, 601 Taylor Street West, Saskatoon. Call Brendan Bitz to register: (306) 242-1916, Extension 225.

**Kairos Blanket Exercise** will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. **Tuesday, Sept. 12**, at Bishop Klein School Gym, 1121 Northumberland Avenue, Saskatoon, open to ages 16 and up. The Blanket Exercise is an opportunity to build understanding about our shared history as Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. There is no cost to participate. This event is hosted by St. Peter the Apostle CWL, in collaboration with the Kairos Blanket Exercise Team from Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish (Saskatoon's Indigenous-Métis-First Nations Catholic parish).

**Saskatoon Challenge Girls Club** is a Catholic Youth Ministry program for girls in Grades 3-12 to grow in knowledge of their Catholic faith, build friendship with Christ, and make a difference in the world. Saskatoon Challenge is held 6:30 to 8 p.m. Friday evening at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon, and at other scheduled times for mission and outreach. For more info, contact Sarah Lavier at (306) 292-6193 or skchallengegirls@gmail.com. Find online registration at: <https://rcdos.ca/challenge-girls-club/>. Deadline is **Sept. 15**.

**Conquest Boys Club** is a Catholic youth leadership program for boys Grade 3-12, with a goal of helping young men become saints, held at St. Matthew Elementary School, 1508 Arlington Ave., Saskatoon, most Fridays. Registration is **Friday, Sept. 15** from 6:45 to 8:15 pm at St. Matthew School. For more info, contact Daryl Possberg at (306) 290-6677 or e-mail conquest.saskatoon@gmail.com. Find online registration at: [rcdos.ca/conquest-boys-club-saskatoon/](https://rcdos.ca/conquest-boys-club-saskatoon/)

**Development and Peace – Caritas Canada (DPCC) National Campaign launch** will be held online **Saturday, Sept. 16** at 11:30 a.m. (Saskatchewan time). Please see: [devp.org/en/evenement/launch-webinar-fall-campaign-2023/](https://devp.org/en/evenement/launch-webinar-fall-campaign-2023/) for more information and registration.

**Diocesan Prayer** - We pray as a diocesan family for all the Christians in this world who cannot practise their faith without fear or persecution. Strengthen them, Lord, and help us always to work for justice and peace.



Icon of the Sacred Heart 2017  
written by Andre J. Prevost in  
collaboration with Romeo  
Crow Chief of Siksika Nation.

## Indigenous Pastoral & Lay Leader Ministry Education

**Course 4: Introduction to  
Reconciliation: The Church  
and Indigenous Peoples**

**Sept. 26 to Nov. 21**

**4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays**

**Offered online**

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

Cost: \$200 per course (some funding assistance available)

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[rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education](https://rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education)

**A CWL Diocesan Fall Meeting** will be held 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. **Saturday, Sept. 16** at St. Patrick Parish, 3339 Centennial Drive, Saskatoon, with guest speaker Sr. Malou Tibayan. All members are encouraged to attend. Free-will offering for lunch.

**Annual Pilgrimage at the Millennium Pro-Life Cross site** will be held 3 p.m. **Sunday Sept. 17**, 10.8 km northeast of Aberdeen on Highway 41. A living rosary is celebrated along with other prayers, and there is a guest speaker. Pro-life info tables and free-will offering concession on site. Bring rosary and chair. More information at: [www.prolifemillenniumcross.ca](http://www.prolifemillenniumcross.ca).

**Columbus Bosco Homes Annual Corn Roast Fundraiser** will be held at 5:30 p.m. **Thursday, Sept. 21** at the Farm School, 10 minutes northeast of Saskatoon. This fundraiser helps support at-risk youth in an educational/farm setting. Meal tickets are \$25 each and are available from Lorne Keller at (306) 227-7576 or Tracey Harper at (306) 659-2025.

**"You are My Son" – Catholic Men's Conference** will be held **Sept. 29-30** at Christ the King Parish, 3239 Garnet Street, Regina. Registration \$150, deadline Sept. 15. To register, e-mail [register@made4greatness.ca](mailto:register@made4greatness.ca).

**Rock Your Roots: Walk for Reconciliation** will be held on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation **Saturday, Sept. 30**. Begins at 8 a.m. with a pancake breakfast hosted by CUMFI at 315 Ave M South, Saskatoon. The walk begins at 10 a.m. from that location, proceeding down 20th Street W to Victoria Park. More information at: [www.beaconnectr.com/events](http://www.beaconnectr.com/events)

## Message Board

**Growing Together Gala** – Saskatoon Pregnancy Options and Support Centre Annual Gala and Silent Auction will be held **Friday, Sept. 22** — doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:15 p.m. at the World Trade Centre at Prairieland, 503 Ruth Street West, Saskatoon. Reserve your complimentary tickets by Sept. 12 at [www.showpass.com/saskatoon-pregnancy-options-and-support-centre-fundraiser-gala/](http://www.showpass.com/saskatoon-pregnancy-options-and-support-centre-fundraiser-gala/).

**A Truth and Reconciliation Sharing Circle Event** will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Saturday, Sept 23** at Station 20 West, 1120 20th St W., Saskatoon featuring Residential School Survivors, children/grandchildren of Survivors, and keynote speaker Archbishop Donald Bolen of Regina, speaking on “Facilitating Reconciliation. This day will engage participants in ways of advancing reconciliation as Treaty people.

**The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon presents a Bible Study with Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw** entitled “The Apostle Paul, beginning with the Book of Galatians,” to be held 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. **starting Tuesday, Sept. 19** in person at Dormition of the Mother of God Parish, 120-105 St. W. Saskatoon (no pre-registration necessary for in-person attendance) or to attend via WebEx: contact [rel.ed@sasktel.net](mailto:rel.ed@sasktel.net) or (306) 270-4920 for online access.

**“The Social Doctrine of the Church”** is an online course presented by Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, beginning with the document *Rerum Novarum* (1891) on Sept. 23, and continuing Sept. 30, Oct. 21, Oct. 28, Nov. 18, Nov. 25, Dec. 16, Jan. 27, Feb. 10, Feb. 17, March 9, March 16, April 20, April 27, May 11, May 25, June 15 and June 22. Cost: \$75 for the course. Contact the Eparchy of Saskatoon at [rel.ed@sasktel.net](mailto:rel.ed@sasktel.net) or (306) 270-4920 to register, and to obtain online access, as well as to receive the first document.

**CWL Clothing Depot Part-Time Position:** The CWL Clothing Depot is seeking to fill a part-time position (12 hrs/week) in its store location, **available in mid-September**. The applicant does not have to be a Catholic Women’s League (CWL) member, but should share the values of the CWL Clothing Depot of **service to those in need**. Anyone interested should contact Bea at the CWL Clothing Depot, by bringing a resumé to the store, 619 20th St. West, or call (306) 242-5042.

**Employment opportunity** – St. John Bosco Parish in Saskatoon is seeking a part-time Director of Evangelization. The purpose of this position is to organize spiritual, social, and service events that help people encounter Jesus and walk with Him. The position also includes evangelization and intentional accompaniment through the sacramental preparation programs and the Sunday worship experience. This is a 10-hour-a-week position that begins Oct. 1. To apply, please submit cover letter, resume, and pastoral reference letter (from parish priest or his delegate), to Parish Life Director, Matthew Courchene at [mcourchene@rcdos.ca](mailto:mcourchene@rcdos.ca). The deadline is **Sept. 18** at noon.



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### Fall Congress - Oct. 19

**“The Lord Heals the Broken-Hearted and Saves the Crushed in Spirit” (Psalm 34:18)**

Equipping the Church to support mental health and well-being is the theme of a diocesan Fall Congress to be held

**9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19,**  
Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon.

Keynote speaker is Bryana Russell of Sanctuary Mental Health Ministries. This event is open to clergy, staff, lay leadership, and the general public.

Cost is \$25 (includes lunch).

Registration deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 17. Register at:

<https://form.jotform.com/231977301558260>

**Saskatoon Church Curling League** will be held 8:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Sutherland Curling Club, 141 Jessop Avenue Saskatoon, starting **Sept. 27** through to March 2024. For more information call, text, or message David and Rhonda Kitsch at (306) 230-9771; e-mail: [rdkitsch@sasktel.net](mailto:rdkitsch@sasktel.net).

**What Matters Most: Living Peacefully, Dying Peacefully** is a retreat at Queen’s House in Saskatoon that will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Saturday, Sept. 30** with facilitators Diane Waldbillig and Elaine Zakreski. This “day away” will include spiritual talks, mindfulness meditation, and contemplative prayer, along with gentle restorative yoga. No previous experience necessary. Cost: \$80 (includes lunch. Register online at <https://qh.retreatportal.com> or call (306) 242-1916.

**From Mourning to Dawn** is an eight-week diocesan grief support program for widows and widowers, led by those who have also experienced this loss. From Mourning to Dawn is open to participants who have been widows or widowers from between two months to two years. From Mourning to Dawn will again be offered in the diocese **starting Sept. 13**. Two sessions will be offered – one held at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon and the second held at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. (Day and time arranged jointly by facilitators and participants.) Cost: \$35. For information and registration, contact Dianna Knaus: [dknaus@sasktel.net](mailto:dknaus@sasktel.net) or (306) 382-0535.

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## Let Justice and Peace Flow: Season of Creation 2023

Prophet Amos cries out: *"But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!"* (Amos 5: 24) and so we are called to join the river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and the loss of biodiversity.



## Let Justice and Peace Flow Season of Creation 2023

As the people of God, we must work together on behalf of all Creation, as part of that mighty river of peace and justice.

The Season of Creation begins on September 1, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and culminates on October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron of ecology and animals. This Season offers a holy moment in the midst of our day-to-day lives to contemplate the fabric of life into which we are woven, to rejoice in the good gift of Creation, and to reflect on how we can better respect it.

Parishes and congregations can participate in myriad ways. Resources are available at <https://seasonofcreation.org> and through denominational websites.

- [Opening Prayer Service](#) (worldwide online event), Sept. 1 at 7am in Saskatchewan
- [Closing Prayer Service](#) (ecumenical service in Rome), Oct. 4 at 7am in Saskatchewan
- [Preaching for God's World](#). Preaching notes on the Revised Common Lectionary
- Toolkit from the World Council of Churches: [Climate Justice with and for Children and Youth in Churches—Get Informed, Get Inspired, Take Action](#)

## Self-Care in Nature

Through the Season of Creation, watch the [KAIROS Regina Facebook page](#) for a tour of soul-feeding places around our city. Laura Stewart will share her reflections on special spots where we can receive the gifts of creation in abundance, and be renewed to "let peace and justice flow" through us. Send her your suggestions for parks or other beautiful places to visit: [arcolaura@gmail.com](mailto:arcolaura@gmail.com) or text (306) 535-1839.

## An Introit for the Season of Creation: *Under Your Living Tree*

Laura Stewart from KAIROS Regina and a member of Broadway United Church has composed an introit, "Under Your Living Tree," that is free to use in your worship services through the Season of Creation. Sheet music can be downloaded at <https://bit.ly/UnderYourLivingTree>

*Your morning sun wakes us to tend your garden,  
Where your rain grows food for every creature.  
Your rainbow arches for all to see,*

*And at evening we'll rest by the river,  
Under  
your  
living  
tree.*



**Creating for Creation**  
**Together for the Love of Creation**



## **Creating for Creation: Fold Yourself into a Commitment for the Earth**

This year, the For the Love of Creation Youth Climate Strike Advisory Team calls on all people of faith across Canada to “fold up” their commitment and send it to decision makers.

Write your commitments to change and your calls to governments and corporations about climate justice on a square of paper and fold it into a simple or more complex shape, representing one of the many species that are endangered by climate change and related harms to the earth. Climate change affects us all. Let's see every person with a climate concern create a folded creature to carry their concerns to the decision makers.

Further information is available at <https://fortheloveofcreation.ca/creating-for-creation/>

## **Creation Care in Our Places of Prayer**

KAIROS Regina invites you on a journey of faith, one that challenges our comfortable lives and changes the very buildings we worship in. On October 15, 2022, they hosted a workshop called, “Creation Care in Our Places of Prayer: Energy Retrofits and other Faith-based Climate Action.”

This booklet contains six articles that KAIROS

Regina released in the lead up to that event to prepare hearts and minds for the deep transformation that is needed. Written by members of the Climate Justice Working Group of KAIROS Regina.

## **Creation Care in Our Places of Prayer**

*A series of reflections to prepare our hearts and minds  
for deep transformation*

Booklet available for download at <https://bit.ly/CreationCareinOurPlacesofPrayer>

# **Samaritan Place**



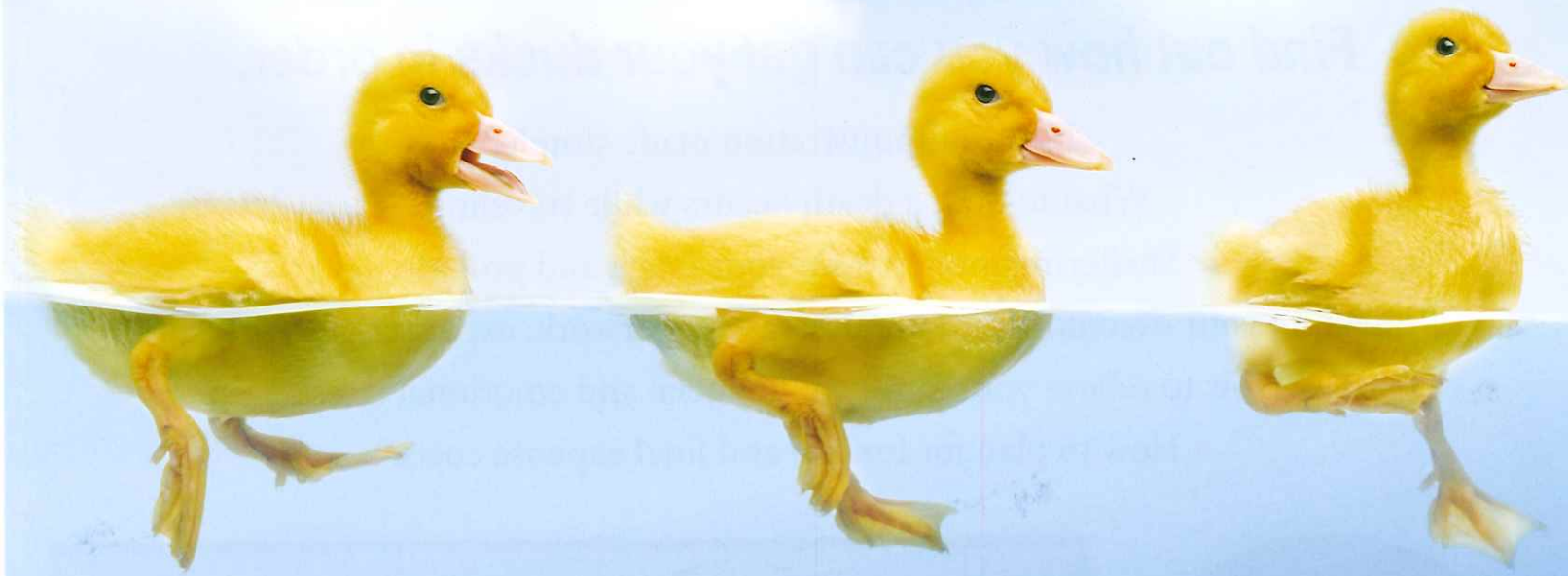
**Volunteers are needed to support Mass at Samaritan Place, a long term care home in Stonebridge. Present need is for volunteers to provide musical accompaniment on piano for mass**

- **Tuesday mornings at 10:30 pm**
- **Sunday afternoon at 3:30 pm**

**If you are able to give the gift of your time, please contact Tammy Reinhardt at [treihl@samaritanplace.ca](mailto:treihl@samaritanplace.ca) or by phone 306 986 1462**



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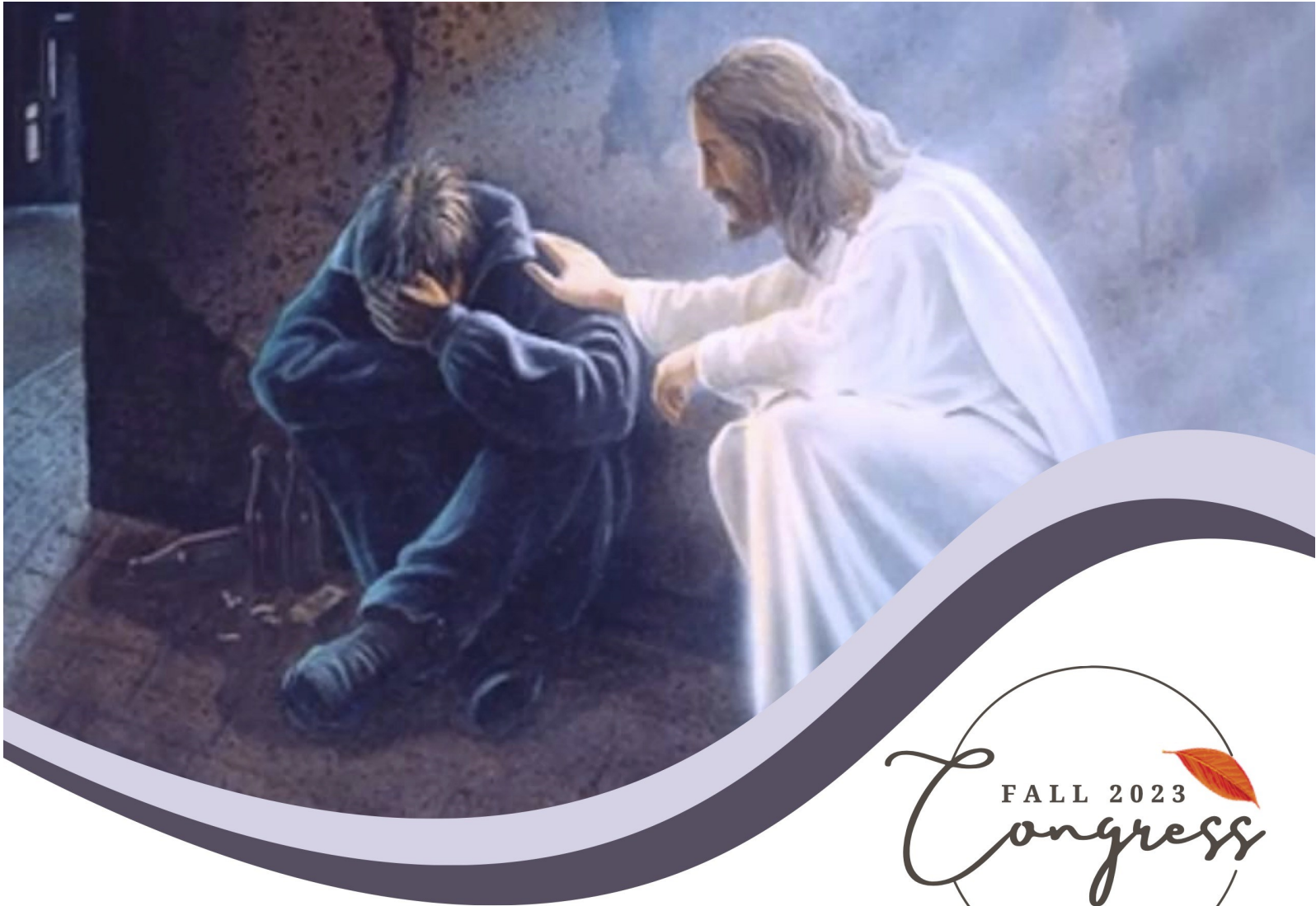
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