

# 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 17, 2023 | Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30—28:7 | Rom 14:7-9 | Mt 18:21-35

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

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

Forgiveness. It seems like a relatively simple *concept*, doesn't it? We ask our merciful Father for it every day when we pray the Our Father: "...forgive us our trespasses..." Then reality hits, as we remember the second part of that phrase: "...as we forgive those who trespass against us ..." *As we forgive others.* Oh, that long, hard road of forgiveness! Easier said than done. Sometimes those old sayings have some merit, don't they? And when we look at today's readings, there is nothing cryptic about them: forgive *not seven times but seventy-seven times*, let go of wrath and anger, forgive your brother and sister *from your heart*. Yes, forgiveness is a simple concept, but it's not easy. Perhaps the answer is to re-read today's Scriptures and ask the Holy Spirit to give us the strength to put in the hard work if there is someone in our lives to whom we need to offer our heartfelt forgiveness.

## GO EVANGELIZE

### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Bishop Robert Barron, in his *Word on Fire Bible* on the Gospels, has four suggestions related to this Gospel on how to become "a better forgiver." The one that stood out to me immediately is "forgive offenses quickly." Don't let them fester and "settle deeply into your psyche." This seems like very sage advice because we can all have a tendency to "stew" about things that are bothering us, which rarely makes them better. Bishop Barron's other suggestions are: Pay attention to your own sins, go to confessions regularly, and offer forgiveness through a concrete act or sign. Which brings us back to the simplicity of it all: God will always forgive us, so we must always forgive others. Doesn't it make sense that to live in the house of our merciful Father, we must emulate him and have loving hearts rather than vengeful hearts?

**PRAY** Examine your heart and take a hard look at whether you are holding on to a wrong that was committed against you. Take it to God in prayer. The more we open our hearts to forgive others, the more at peace we can be. Ponder the last words of today's reading from Sirach: *Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.*

SEPTEMBER 17	SEPTEMBER 18	SEPTEMBER 19	SEPTEMBER 20	SEPTEMBER 21	SEPTEMBER 22	SEPTEMBER 23
10a Mass 12p Mass 1-4p Adoration 7p Mass	9a-3p CWL Quilters	8:30a Mass 1p School Mass 1:30p CWL Book Club 6p Baptism Prep 7p Faith Formation Committee	8:30a Mass 10a School Mass 1p School Mass 4-5p Children's Choir 7p Adoration	8:30a Mass 7p Parish Council	8:30a Mass 9a-12p Adoration	11a-12p Confession 5p Mass  <b>Anointing of the Sick</b>

## THIS WEEK



## 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 5pm Mass.**

*"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	ADORATION	CONFESSIONS
<b>Saturday</b> 5 pm <b>Sunday</b> 10 am, 12 noon, 7 pm Weekdays, Tues. - Fri. 8:30 am	Wednesdays 7 pm Fridays, 9 am - 12 pm Sundays, 1 - 4 pm	Saturdays 11 am - 12 noon <i>or by appointment.</i>

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#### LET US PRAY

- For the sick and all those that care for them, today we pray for: Barb Elder, 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: Tony Sander, Ed Grabowski, Irene Kalin, Anakin Ty, Doreen Murray, we pray to the Lord.
- On the anniversary of death, Emilia Salerno, we pray to the Lord.

## ♥ Sacraments ♥

### REGISTRATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IS NOW OPEN

The usual time for the celebration of these Sacraments is at the grade 2 level. Older children are also welcome to attend the program. The children journey in a program that helps them discover God's forgiveness through joy, love and peace, and how in the Eucharist they are nourished by Jesus, the Bread of Life. Reconciliation prepares our hearts to receive Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist. The program is age appropriate and supported by family and parish life. Parents are an integral part of the preparation process and will help guide their children through the program. Preparation for First Reconciliation will occur in the Fall. Preparation for First Communion will occur in the Spring.

**Registration is due Oct. 20,** For more information or to register visit: [holyspiritsaskatoon.ca](http://holyspiritsaskatoon.ca)

Contact Erin for more information: [egratton@rcdos.ca](mailto:egratton@rcdos.ca)

### DO YOU HAVE A CHILD AGED 8 – 14 WHO WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

Holy Spirit Parish offers a children's faith formation process called *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* adapted for children.

This process is designed for children/youth who are seeking initiation into the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Classes will be held Tuesdays from 3:45 pm to 5:00 pm. The day of the week (Tuesday) is flexible if more families are free on Wednesdays.

We try to meet every two weeks from late September to Easter.

This program is intended for:

- Children who have never been baptized as infants and are of catechetical age (7-14 years old).
- Children who were baptized in another Christian tradition and now wish to become part of the Catholic Community.
- Children who were baptized as Catholics but have not received the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation.

**How long is the process?** Late September to Easter which this year is March 31.

**Who do I contact?** Sharon Powell • 306-374-1425 or [spowell@rcdos.ca](mailto:spowell@rcdos.ca)

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



## 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.**

For more information and to register **by September 23rd**, please **contact Tanya Waslen** at [holyspiritwpp1@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritwpp1@gmail.com).

## HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GARAGE SALE

*WE HAVE BEEN PURGING STORAGE AREAS AND DECLUTTERING!*

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 • 8:30AM – 2:30PM**

GREAT DEALS!

TONS OF ITEMS!

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!



**Please note:** This garage sale is for church miscellaneous articles only. It is not open to parishioner households bringing items to sell at this time.



SASKATOON  
Pregnancy Options  
and Support CENTRE

### FALL GALA AND SILENT AUCTION-SEPTEMBER 22

The auction is **LIVE NOW** and will end at 9pm on the Gala evening. Bid early and often - have fun!

[CLICK TO BROWSE AND BID](#)

**Life Chain** in Saskatoon will be held on Sunday, October 1st from 2 pm to 3 pm at Idylwyld Drive and 22nd Street. Please plan to attend and show your support for life from conception to its natural end. *Signs will be provided.*

**40 Hours for Life** in Saskatoon, will begin **Wednesday September 20<sup>th</sup>**. The vigils will take place on **the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave and Queen Street**. The campaign will be conducted Monday to Friday from **9 am to 12 noon** and will run until **Friday October 27<sup>th</sup>**. *Signs will be provided.*

If you can volunteer for any of the one hour time slots during this time frame, or if you want more information, please call Louis 306-249-2764 or email at [campaignlifesk@gmail.com](mailto:campaignlifesk@gmail.com).



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**MARRIAGE PREPARATION** Nicole Gursky at 306 229-0384 or email ngursky@sasktel.net  
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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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- 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
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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  
Saturday, September 23, 2023  
following the 5:00 pm Mass.**



# Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)  
September 17, 2023

## Limitless Forgiveness

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

What makes seven such an important number? It's the symbolism. It signifies wholeness, completeness, and totality. So, seventy-seven (or seventy times seven in some Bible translations) suggests infinity. Peter was exaggerating when he suggested that he might forgive his brother seven times. He presumed that if he acted in this way, his behavior would demonstrate the immeasurable extent of his personal graciousness. Jesus' response implied that there should be no end to our forgiving another. To underscore the significance of this magnanimity, Jesus offered God (in the guise of the king who forgave a huge debt) as the exemplar of forgiving.

Forgiving another's offense against us could well be one of the most difficult things we are asked to do. To ask for forgiveness does not seem as difficult. After all, when we bump into a perfect stranger in an elevator, we say, "Forgive me." But to forgive someone who has deliberately offended us, who has dishonored our sense of personal dignity, as slight as that offense might be, is neither as easy nor as casual a gesture. And yet, we must.

We all carry debts to others. Both the first reading and the Gospel passage remind us that the debts owed to us by others in no way compare with the debt we owe God, and yet God shows us compassion and forgives us. If we are grateful children of a compassionate God, we will want to be like God and we will forgive others. †

## Sunday Readings

**Sirach 27:30—28:7**

Remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook faults.

**Romans 14:7–9**

Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

**Matthew 18:21–35**

Jesus answered, "I say to you, [forgive] not seven times but seventy-seven times."

*Jesus taught there  
should be no end to our  
forgiving one another.*



## A Word from Pope Francis

How much suffering, how many wounds, how many wars could be avoided if forgiveness and mercy were the style of our life! Even in families....It is necessary to apply merciful love to all human relationships: between spouses, between parents and children, within our communities, in the Church and also in society and politics.

ANGELUS, ROME, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020



## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- When you pray, "forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us," do you mean it?
- Who does it hurt when we fail to forgive?

# From Forgiven to Forgiver

Fr. Henri Nouwen

Perhaps the most radical statement Jesus ever made is: "Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate." God's compassion is described by Jesus not simply to show me how willing God is to feel for me, or to forgive me my sins and offer me new life and happiness, but to invite me to become like God and to show the same compassion to others as he is showing to me. If the only meaning of the story were that people sin but God forgives, I could easily begin to think of my sins as a fine occasion for God to show me his forgiveness. There would be no real challenge in such an interpretation. I would resign myself to my weaknesses and keep hoping that eventually God would close God's eyes to them and let me come home, whatever I did. Such sentimental romanticism is not the message of the Gospels.

What I am called to make true is that whether I am the younger or the elder son, I am the son of my compassionate Father. I am an heir. No one says it more clearly than Paul when he writes: "The Spirit himself joins with our spirit to bear witness that we are children of God. And if we are children, then we are heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, provided that we share his sufferings, so as to share his glory." Indeed, as son and heir I am to become successor. I am destined to step into my Father's place and offer to others the same compassion that he has offered me. The return to the Father is ultimately the challenge to become the Father. †

From *The Return of the Prodigal Son*

# Avoid All Forms of Self-Rejection

Fr. Henri Nouwen

You must avoid not only blaming others but also blaming yourself. You are inclined to blame yourself for the difficulties you experience in relationships. But self-blame is not a form of humility. It is a form of self-rejection in which you ignore or deny your own goodness and beauty.

When a friendship does not blossom, when a word is not received, when a gesture of love is not appreciated, do not blame it on yourself. This is both untrue and hurtful. Every time you reject yourself, you idealize others. You want to be with those whom you consider better,

stronger, more intelligent, more gifted than yourself. Thus you make yourself emotionally dependent, leading others to feel unable to fulfill your expectations and causing them to withdraw from you. This makes you blame yourself even more, and you enter a dangerous spiral of self-rejection and neediness.

Avoid all forms of self-rejection. Acknowledge your limitations, but claim your unique gifts and thereby live as an equal among equals. That will set you free from your obsessive and possessive needs and enable you to give and receive true affection and friendship. †

From *The Inner Voice of Love*



*Merciful God, give us generous hearts and open minds that we may forgive others as we have been forgiven. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*

The Redemptorists

## WEEKDAY READINGS

September 18–23

**Monday**, Weekday: 1 Tm 2:1–8 / Lk 7:1–10

**Tuesday**, Weekday: 1 Tm 3:1–13 / Lk 7:11–17

**Wednesday**, Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions:  
1 Tm 3:14–16 / Lk 7:31–35

**Thursday**, St. Matthew:


Eph 4:1–7, 11–13 / Mt 9:9–13

**Friday**, Weekday:

1 Tm 6:2c–12 / Lk 8:1–3

**Saturday**, St. Pius of Pietrelcina:

1 Tm 6:13–16 / Lk 8:4–15

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the Word   
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## Sunday, Sep 17, 2023

### Each one, teach one

Teachers, preachers, and professors have their place. But most of us learn life lessons more broadly. The first school is our home environment. Groups we affiliate with and wider media influences also communicate their values. In 1935, the Vatican called for special acknowledgment of how our parish catechists pass on the faith. While it's right to honor our DRE or religion teachers on this Catechetical Sunday, let's recall too the role of parents and indeed all parishioners in modeling a life rich in love, generosity, compassion, and forgiveness. Catechists literally "echo" the example of Jesus. Deliver your echo boldly!

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 27:30—28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35 (130). *"Peter approached Jesus and asked him, 'Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive?'"*

## Monday, Sep 18, 2023

### Make of your life a mission of peace

In an address to the World Council of Churches in Evanston, Illinois in 1954, Dag Hammarskjöld, the second United Nations secretary-general (1953-61), referred to churches as the "guardians of ... the deepest beliefs and the loftiest dreams ..." of humanity. He died in a plane crash on this date while on a peace mission in the Congo and is the only person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize posthumously. Pope Francis praised him in 2015 for giving his life for "reconciliation among peoples." May the example and inspiration of Hammarskjöld, and the many who work to end conflict in the world, unite the people of God in their pursuit.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10 (443). *"I did not consider myself worthy to come to you; but say the word and let my servant be healed."*

## Tuesday, Sep 19, 2023

### The real magic of relics

The significance of saintly relics is best understood in light of basic Catholic teaching: Relics aren't talismans born of superstition, nor are they magical souvenirs from worship-worthy saints. Moreover, relics deserve the same basic respect as other human remains. This is key because, historically, relics have been the subject of misunderstanding and abuse, everything from pilgrims who would steal bits of saintly bodies to Martin Luther's objection when relics were sold and hoarded like baubles. God alone works miracles and is worthy of worship. Saints merely agree to be the conduit—in obedience to Divine Love—sometimes paying the price with their martyrs' blood. Consider: The real miracle of Januarius' blood might be that he was willing to sacrifice it.

MEMORIAL OF JANUARIUS, BISHOP, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 3:1-13; Luke 7:11-17 (444). *"A great prophet has arisen in our midst and God has visited his people."*

## Wednesday, Sep 20, 2023

### Be inspired to broaden your concern

On this day in 1918, at the age of 58, Mary Theresa Dudzik entered into eternal life. She accomplished a lot of good in her time on Earth. After immigrating to Chicago from Poland at 21, she would invite poor elderly women and girls to her home. "I felt the misery and suffering of others, and it seemed to me that I could not love Jesus, or even expect Heaven if I were concerned only about myself," she wrote. Dudzik started the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago in 1893, the first order of religious women founded in

Chicago. The community devoted itself to aiding the elderly and those in need. She received the honorary title of "Mother" in 1948 and is now a candidate for sainthood. Learn more about Venerable Mary Theresa Dudzik and her heroic virtue.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 3:14-16; Luke 7:31-35 (445). *"To what shall I compare the people of this generation?"*

## Thursday, Sep 21, 2023

### Witness value

When the name Saint Matthew comes up, many people recall him as the tax collector apostle who wrote the Gospel of Matthew. Modern scholarship has challenged the belief that Matthew the apostle wrote the gospel with his name on it, and other details of Saint Matthew's death by martyrdom cannot be definitively proven. Maybe having precision about all aspects of Matthew's life is not the most important factor in this feast, however. The church celebrates Matthew for being a faithful apostle and evangelist, things to which every Christian can aspire. Does your life evangelize, that is, bear witness to your belief?

FEAST OF MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13 (643). *"Live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience."*

## Friday, Sep 22, 2023

### Delve into fresh spiritual classics

The Spirit dwells in each of us and is expressed in myriad ways. The church treasures this rich diversity as "refractions of the one pure light of the Holy Spirit," as the Catechism of the Catholic Church puts it. Too often erased historically, the experiences of women haven't always been allowed to shine as brightly, however. And so we lift up writers such as Monica Coleman, Gloria Anzaldúa, Mary Oliver, Jung Eun Sophia Park, and Phyllis Tickle, renowned spirituality author who died on this date in 2015. Read one of these or another author whose particular "refraction" resonates with your own.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Luke 8:1-3 (447). *"Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness."*

## Saturday, Sep 23, 2023

### The essentials of sainthood

Controversy shadowed the life of the mystical Padre Pio, as Pius of Pietrelcina was known. He was said to bear the stigmata, or wounds of Christ, though detractors claimed he manufactured the wounds with carbolic acid. However one views such claims and counter claims, the undeniable fact is that he was a compassionate counselor to the thousands who came to see him during his lifetime, a tireless servant who lived a simple life. At Padre Pio's canonization Mass in 2002, Saint John Paul II said: "The life and mission of Padre Pio testify that difficulties and sorrows, if accepted with love, transform themselves into a privileged journey of holiness, which opens the person toward a greater good, known only to the Lord." You don't have to be a mystic or stigmatist to mirror the ministry of Christ in your own life—all you need is a kind heart and generous spirit.

MEMORIAL OF PIUS OF PIETRELcina, PRIEST

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15 (448). *"And some seed fell on good soil, and when it grew, it produced fruit a hundredfold."*

*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. 17, 2023 - 24th 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

**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. Bring your own rosary and chair. More information at: [www.prolifemillenniumcross.ca](http://www.prolifemillenniumcross.ca).

**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).

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

**40 Hours for Life** begins **Wednesday, Sept. 20**, with a prayer vigil held on the corner of 4th Avenue and Queen Street in Saskatoon from 9 a.m. to 12 noon Monday to Friday, until Oct. 27. Signs will be provided. To volunteer for any of the one-hour time slots, or for more info, e-mail: [campaignlifesk@gmail.com](mailto:campaignlifesk@gmail.com)

**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.

**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 featuring Residential School survivors, children/grandchildren of survivors, as well as keynote speaker Archbishop Donald Bolen of Regina, speaking on "Facilitating Reconciliation." Archbishop Bolen will also participate in a panel discussion on ecology with Deacon Harry Lafond, and others. Register online at: [www.eventbrite.com/e/truth-and-reconciliation-walking-together-sharing-circle-event-tickets-710478479257](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/truth-and-reconciliation-walking-together-sharing-circle-event-tickets-710478479257)

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**Diocesan Prayer** - God the Holy Spirit, we pray that during this new ministry year all of us will deepen our relationship with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

## Fall Congress - Oct. 19

**"The Lord Heals the Broken-Hearted and Saves the Crushed in Spirit"** (*Psalms 34:18*)

Equipping the Church to support mental health and well-being is the theme of diocesan Fall Congress **9:00 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>

## Awaken Adult Faith Webinar

**The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church**

with Bishop Cozzens 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**Tuesdays, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24**

Cost: \$20/person for all 4 sessions.

Register for this online program at:

<https://form.jotform.com/231799057343262>



## Awaken Adult Faith Series Church of the New Evangelization

In-person 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays

**Oct. 25, Nov. 1, Nov. 8, Nov. 15, and Nov. 22**

at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon.

- **Oct. 25:** An Overview of the Second Vatican Council with Sr. Mirasol Abala;
- **Nov. 1:** Evangelii Nuntiandi (Evangelization in the Modern World) with Marilyn Jackson;
- **Nov. 8:** Spe Salvi (Saved in Hope) with Bishop Hagemoen;
- **Nov. 15:** Christifideles Laici (The Vocation and Mission of the Lay Faithful) with Sr. Malou Tibayan;
- **Nov. 22:** Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel) with Fr. David Tumback.

Cost: \$40 per person for all five sessions.

Register at:

<https://form.jotform.com/231798289556274>



## Message Board

**Earthquake in Morocco** - Development and Peace - Caritas Canada (DPCC) is collecting funds to support rescue and relief efforts in Morocco, after the country was hit by its most powerful earthquake in a century. DPCC is in contact with organizations in the region, including Caritas Morocco. Donate online at: <https://devp.org/en/give-now-2/> or call toll-free: 1-888-234-8533 or mail labelled donation to: 555 René-Lévesque Blvd West, 8th Floor, Montreal, Quebec, H2Z 1B1.

**Social Doctrine of the Church** is an **online course** with Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, beginning with the document Rerum Novarum (1891) on **Sept. 23**, and continuing with a number of sessions from then until June. Cost: \$75 for the course. To register, e-mail the Eparchy of Saskatoon at [rel.ed@sasktel.net](mailto:rel.ed@sasktel.net) or call (306) 270-4920.

**A Eucharistic Healing Mass** will be held at 3 p.m., **Sunday, Sept. 24** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Relics of St. Padre Pio and St. Faustina Kowalska will be present on the altar. Presiding priest is Fr. Vicente A. Robles, Founder of the National Shrine of Divine Mercy Philippines.

**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)

**Our Lady of the Holy Rosary - Mass and Candlelight Procession** will be held **Saturday, Oct. 7** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral in Saskatoon, begins with Mass with Bishop Hagemoen at 4:30 p.m., followed by an outdoor candle-lit procession with the Blessed Sacrament, and concluding with fellowship in the church basement. Event hosted by the St. Paul Co-Cathedral Santo Nino Prayer Group and the Filipino Catholic community.

**Rachel's Vineyard Ministry Healing Retreat Oct. 13-15: 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, accompanied by a team who also have experienced this life-changing weekend. The next retreat in Saskatchewan will be held **Oct. 13-15** in a location near Saskatoon (privacy of location respected). To register or speak to someone confidentially, contact Elaine at (306) 480-8911 or: [r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net](mailto:r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net)

**CWL Clothing Depot Part-Time Position:** The CWL Clothing Depot is seeking to fill a part-time position (12 hours /week) in its store location, **available in mid-September**. Anyone interested should contact Bea at the CWL Clothing Depot, by bringing a resumé to the store, 619 20th St. West, Saskatoon, or by calling (306) 242-5042.



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*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)

No pre-requisite necessary to take Course 4.

*Those completing all four courses will earn a ministry certificate.*

**Video Introduction and Registration:**

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

**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, sacramental preparation programs, etc. that help people encounter Jesus and walk with Him. This is a 10-hour-a-week position that begins Oct. 1. To apply, 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.

### Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan (CHAS)

**80th Convention** will be held **Thursday, Oct. 26 and Friday, Oct. 27**. "Holistic Care: Healing Through Stories, Spirit, and Song" is the theme for this convention held at Queen's House, 601 Taylor St. W., Saskatoon. Sessions include "Near Death Experiences" and "Broken & Beautiful" with Rev. David Maginley; "Embracing the Calls to Action" with former TRC Commissioner Chief Wilton Littlechild and Fr. Ken Thorson, OMI; "Caring for Communities" with John Ruetz of the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada; and "Mental Health Ministry," with Dr. Anne Vargaz-Leveriza and Maricela Campa of the diocese of Phoenix; as well as breakout sessions by Fr. Ivan Nahachewsky, Fr. Kevin McGee, and Katelyn Roberts/ Dr. Morris Markentin. See <https://chassk.ca> for details, schedule and registration.

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## ONLINE Workshop: Discover Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's *Stand for the Land* campaign

This fall, we're continuing the *Create Hope: Stand for the Land* campaign. This time, we'll be meeting communities in northern Honduras who have been struggling to preserve their land and water since an iron ore mine opened in Carlos Escaleras National Park, and poisoned the rivers on which they depend for their livelihoods.

**"We live every day with the fear of being killed or having one of our children taken away."**

— Juana Zúniga, member of the Committee for the Defence of Common and Public Goods of Tocoa, Colón.

To learn more, join us for a workshop at 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., on Thursday, September 28, online on ZOOM. [Click here](#) or copy and paste: <https://bit.ly/onlineworkshop2023> (case sensitive) into your browser.

For more information, contact: Michael LeBlanc (306-205-2334 or [mleblan@devp.org](mailto:mleblan@devp.org)) or visit [devp.org/campaign](http://devp.org/campaign).

# Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Mass and Procession

Saturday, October 7, 2023

4:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Holy Mass with Bishop Hagemoen at 4:30 p.m. St. Paul's Co-Cathedral

Candlelight procession with the Blessed Sacrament

(starting from 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 24<sup>th</sup> Street, to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, returning 22<sup>nd</sup> Street)

Benediction

Fellowship in Bishop Mahoney Hall

(Come for all or part of this joyous prayer)

October is the month of the Holy Rosary

Pray for world peace, Pray for health,

PRAY THE ROSARY!



St. Paul's Co-Cathedral Santo Niño Prayer Group and Filipino Catholic Community

## 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://forthe loveofcreation.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.”

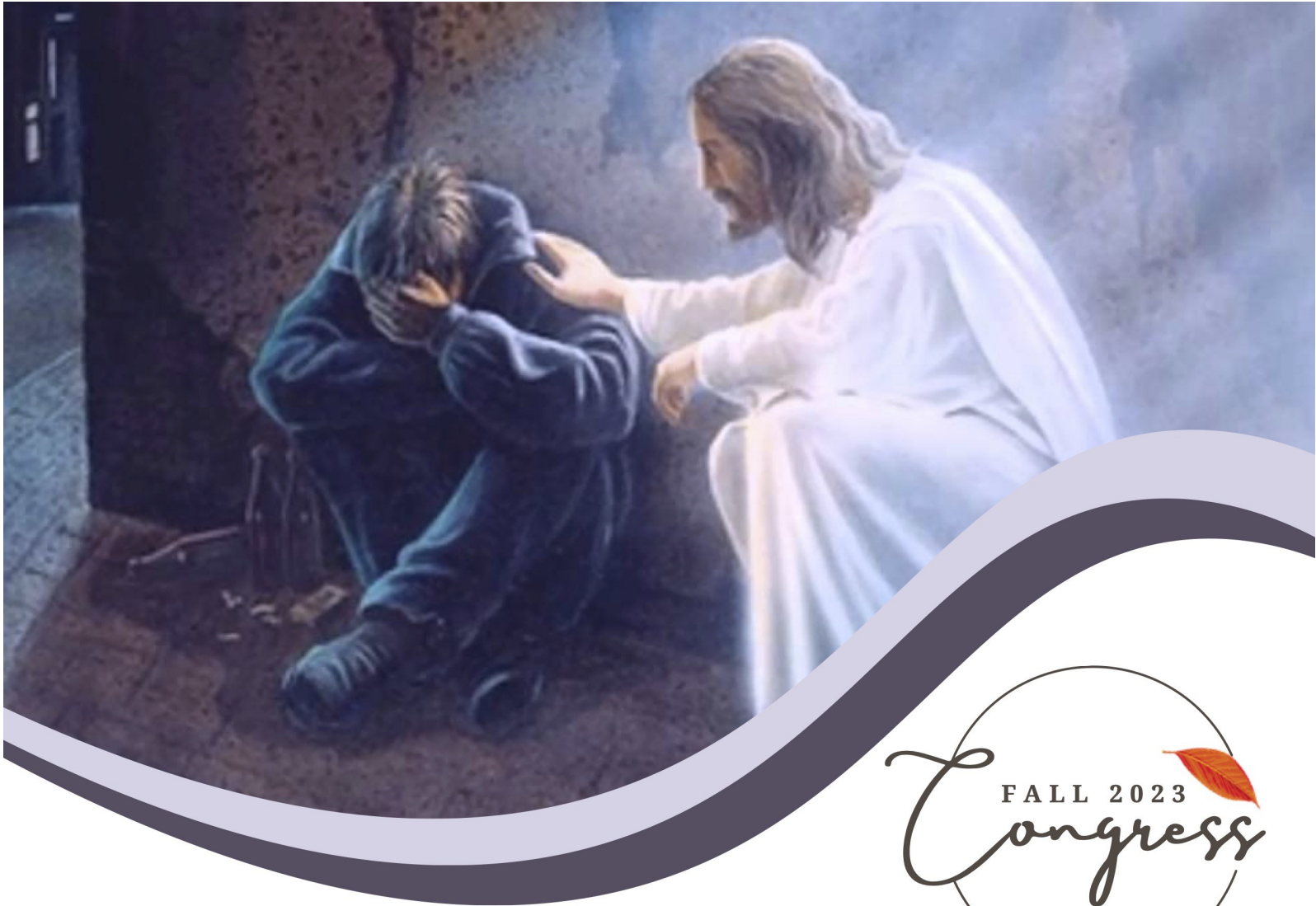
This booklet contains six articles that KAIROS

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.

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

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

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



The LORD is Near to The  
Brokenhearted, and Saves The

# CRUSHED IN SPIRIT (Psalm 34:18)

Thursday, October 19, 2023

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Bryana Russell  
SANCTUARY MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRIES

equipping the Church to support mental health & well-being



scan to register

# CONVENTION 2023



## HOLISTIC CARE

*Healing Through Spirit, Story & Song*

**October 26 & 27**

Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre  
601 Taylor St W, Saskatoon, SK

Accommodations available at **Queen's House**  
or

**Home Inn & Suites Hotel or Sandman Hotel**  
see brochure at [www.chassk.ca](http://www.chassk.ca)

**\$225/person (Includes banquet, breakfast & lunch)**

**Register by Thursday October 19, 11pm**

**Register at: [queenshouse.org](http://queenshouse.org)**

**Register by noon**

**OCTOBER 13 and SAVE \$25**



For more information visit: [chassk.ca](http://chassk.ca)  
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### KEYNOTE

REV. DAVID MAGINLEY  
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### FEATURED PRESENTERS

JOHN RUETZ

CEO the Catholic Health  
Alliance of Canada



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VARGAS-LEVERIZA PH.D.



MARICELA CAMPA

Program Manager Office  
of Mental Health Ministry



### TRC PANEL



**EMBRACING THE CALLS  
TO ACTION**

**MODERATED BY SANDI HARPER**

CHIEF WILTON  
LITTLECHILD



FR. KEN  
THORSON OMI



### BREAKOUT PRESENTERS

FR. IVAN NAHACHEWSKY  
FR. KEVIN MCGEE  
KATELYN ROBERTS PBSW, MPA  
MORRIS MARKENTIN MD

MASS CELEBRANT  
ARCHBISHOP DONALD BOLEN