



February 22, 2026

CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



Lent is a journey, it means accompanying Jesus who goes up to Jerusalem, the place of the fulfillment of his mystery of Passion, death and Resurrection; it reminds us that Christian life is a “way” to take, not so much consistent with a law to observe as with the very Person of Christ, to encounter, to welcome, to follow. In Holy Mass of the First Sunday of Lent we shall pray: “Father, through our observance of Lent, sign of the sacrament of our conversion, help us to understand the meaning of your Son’s death and Resurrection, and teach us to reflect it in our lives.” This is an invocation that we address to God because we know that he alone can convert our hearts. And it is above all in the Liturgy, by participating in the holy mysteries, that we are led to make this journey with the Lord; it means learning at the school of Jesus, reviewing the events that brought salvation to us but not as a mere commemoration, a remembrance of past events. In the liturgical actions Christ makes himself present through the power of the Holy Spirit and these saving events become real.

Taking part in the Liturgy thus means immersing our life in the mystery of Christ, in his enduring presence so as to follow a path on which we enter his death and Resurrection in order to have life. The Sundays of Lent, in this liturgical year of Cycle A in a quite particular way, introduce us to the experience of a baptismal journey, almost as if we were retracing the path of the catechumens, of those who are preparing to receive Baptism, in order to rekindle this gift within us and to ensure that our life may recover a sense of the demands and commitments of this sacrament which is at the root of our Christian life. The Readings we shall listen to on the coming Sundays are taken up precisely by the ancient tradition which accompanied catechumens in the discovery of Baptism. These Readings are the great proclamation of what God brings about in this sacrament, a wonderful baptismal catechesis addressed to each one of us.

The First Sunday of Lent, known as the “Sunday of the Temptation” invites us to renew our definitive adherence to God and, in order to remain faithful to him, to face courageously the struggle that awaits us. Over and over again we need determination, resistance to evil, we need to follow Jesus. On this Sunday, after hearing the testimony of the godparents and catechists, the Church celebrates the election of those who are admitted to the Easter sacraments. The Second Sunday is called “of Abraham and of the Transfiguration”. Baptism is the sacrament of faith and of divine sonship; like Abraham, Father of believers, we too are asked to set out, to depart from our land, to give up the security we have created for ourselves in order to place our trust in God; the destination is glimpsed in the Transfiguration of Christ, the beloved Son, in whom we too become “sons of God”. On the following Sundays, Baptism is presented in images of water, light and life. The Third Sunday makes us meet the Samaritan woman. Like Israel in the Exodus, in Baptism we too have received the water that saves; Jesus, as the Samaritan woman says, has living water that quenches all thirst; and this water is the Spirit himself. On this Sunday the Church celebrates the First Scrutiny of the catechumens and during the week presents to them the Creed: the profession of faith. The Fourth Sunday makes us reflect on the experience of the “man blind from birth.” In Baptism, we are set free from the shadow of evil and receive Christ’s light in order to live as children of light. Lastly, the Fifth Sunday presents to us the raising of Lazarus. In Baptism we passed from death to life and were enabled to please God, to make the former person die so as to live by the Spirit of the Risen One, and during the week the *Lord’s Prayer* is presented to them.

Dear friends, on this Lenten journey let us be careful to accept Christ’s invitation to follow him more decisively and consistently, renewing the grace and commitments of our Baptism, to cast off the former person within us and put on Christ, in order to arrive at Easter renewed and able to say, with St Paul: “It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.” I wish you all a good Lenten journey! Pope Benedict XVI

DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

Marriage Preparation 2026
March 6 & 7, 2026

To register email Fr. Gerard Cooper:
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MAR. 7, 14, 21, 28
APR. 11, 18
1:00-3:00 PM

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MARCH 11, 25 APRIL 1, 15, 22, 29 MAY 6, 13, 27

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YOUTH PROGRAMS - FEB TO MAY



KG TO GRADE 5
FUN, MUSIC AND ACTIVITY

FEB 15	MAR 15	APR 19	MAY 17	SUN 3:30 - 4:50PM
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GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8
FAITH, ACTIVITY AND ADORATION

FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 16	MAY 21	THURS 7-9PM
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GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8
FAITH, FUN AND MUSIC

FEB 12	MAR 5	APR 23	MAY 14	THURS 7-9PM
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GRADE 9 TO GRADE 12
FORMATION, ACTIVITY AND SHARING

FEB 24	MAR 24	APR 28	MAY 26	TUES 7-9PM
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TO REGISTER AND GET UPDATES CONTACT

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PARISH NEWS



Thanks to all the parishioners who support us in all our events!

Our Famous **Pancake Breakfast** will be this **Sunday, February 22nd, after the 9 am & 11 am masses**, we hope to see you all there!

Tickets will be for sale on Sunday, Feb 22nd for our **"FISH FRY" on Friday, March 27th, 2026**. Two seatings, (4:30 pm & 6:30 pm), menu: Steal-Head Trout, Baked Potato, French Fries, Coleslaw Salad, Fresh Buns, Desserts and we will have room for 300 people at each seating. Proceeds support the Diocese, Bishop's Appeal and St. Mary's Outreach. Price of the ticket is \$35 for adults, \$25 for children 12 & under.

Join **Council 8215 with the Knights of Columbus**—helping Men become better Husbands, Fathers and Catholics. Please get in touch with any of our members or you can call Wayne Koshman (306-381-3330) or email at koshmanw@gmail.com



The **Catholic Women's League** relies on the teachings of the Catholic Church to guide it. As a member, you can be confident that what you do will further God's kingdom here on earth. Be confident - come walk with us! Join us for our next meeting on **March 11, 2026 at 7:00 pm**.


- Wear a **pink shirt** on **February 26 for Anti-bullying day**
- **March 6 is World Day of Prayer** written by the women of Nigeria "I Will Give Your Rest: Come". A service will be held at **St. David's Trinity United Church 3318 Merritt St. Saskatoon March 6, 2026 at 1:00 pm**. World Day of Prayer 2026 Nigeria Full Service Video can be viewed on Youtube <https://youtu.be/rJ4seNnOH-A>. All enquiries can be sent to cofhfcwl@gmail.com.



Legion of Mary – Membership Drive Come and see!

The object of the **Legion of Mary** is the glory of God through the holiness of its members, developed by prayer and active cooperation in Mary's mission and the work of the Church.

We warmly welcome former members and anyone interested in deepening their faith through prayer and apostolic service. **The Cathedral of the Holy Family is setting up a Legion of Mary prayer group**. Please visit the information table at the back of the church or contact Fr. Joe-Nelo Penino or Maureen Mega-Akpobi at the parish office. Call (306) 659-5800 for inquiries.



Daily Reflections
on
DIVINE MERCY

QUEEN OF PEACE CHAPEL
12 NOON

Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care is a free course on dealing with a life-limiting diagnosis designed to help each of us especially caregivers and family members, for those who are sick, dying and elderly, to help find support and concrete assistance.

Date & Time: 7:00 – 9:00 pm on four Mondays starting March 2 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family. Register to Diane Waldbillig at waldbilligdiane@gmail.com.

HOLY FAMILY ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

All you have to do is...

Take a bottle home. Fill the bottle with spare cash or a cheque. Bring it to the church on Feb. 22nd.



2025 tax receipts have now been mailed. If you do not receive your receipt within the next few weeks, please contact the Linda at the parish office.

WEEKLY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass Times

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am, & 6:30pm

Weekday Mass Times

Monday - Saturday: 12:15pm

Wednesdays: 7:00pm

Mass @ Sherbrooke: Fridays at 10:15am

Reconciliation

Thursday: 7pm - 8:30pm

Friday: 11am - 12noon

Saturday: 11am - 12noon

Eucharistic Adoration:

Musical Adoration: Every Thursday 7pm - 8:30pm

1st Friday: **BELOVED** 7pm - 9pm

Rosary & Devotion to Our Lady of

Perpetual Help: Wednesdays @ 6:00pm

Rosary: Saturday 11:45am - 12noon

If you are unable to attend regular Reconciliation times, please phone the office to make an appointment: 306-659-5800

Clergy, Staff, & Council Members

Bishop of Saskatoon - *Most Rev. Mark Hagemoen*

Pastor Rector - *Fr. Gerard Cooper*

Associate Pastor - *Fr. Joe Nelo Penino*

Faith Formation Minister - *Andy Korvemaker*

Coordinator of Evangelization to Families - *Conchita Fonseca*

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Contact us!

Baptism (Infants): andy@holycathedral.ca

Christian Initiation (RCIA): andy@holycathedral.ca

Confirmation & First Eucharist: hfsacraments.ca

Covenant of Care: Parish Office: 306-659-5800

Marriage: gcooper@rcdos.ca

Marriage Preparation: March 2025 - gcooper@rcdos.ca

Reconciliation by appointment: info@holycathedral.ca

Communion to Homebound: info@holycathedral.ca

or call 306-659-5800.

Facility Rentals: jim@holycathedral.ca

Mass Intentions next week

Monday, February 23

12:15 pm Mass for *+Byrdeen Turriff*

Tuesday, February 24

12:15 pm Mass for *+Stephen D' Cruz*

Wednesday, February 25

12:15 pm Mass for *Gabby Murza*
7:00 pm Mass for *+Marie Gregorie*

Thursday, February 26

12:15 pm Mass for *Jaiden Christopher*

Mass Intentions next week

Friday, February 27

12:15 pm Mass for *+Yves Beaulac*
10:15 am Mass @ Sherbrooke for *Kelsey Eaton*

Saturday, February 28

12:15 pm Mass for *+Belen Bandola*

Expected Livestream Schedule

Mass will be available at Saskatoonmass.com for other Parishes.

Please Include in your Prayers

This list is for those who are in need of prayer, whether they be sick or well, living or deceased. If you would like your name or a name of a loved one to be listed, please call the parish office: 306-659-5800

Zenitha Joppa Atebe

+Toribio Ramos

Joelle Buckle

Eileen Materi

Isa Glodoveza

+Peter Fashola

Rosalind Matchett

Jannette Magdugo

Ben Friske

Melissa GO

+Pius Ojong Okpa

Hyacinth Fonseca

Nori Cheong

Perry Antosh

Sophie Irlbeck

Russ Gill

+Braydon Bretzer

Pilar Glodoveza



Holy Family Prayer

Most Beloved Sacred Heart of Jesus, As you are the Father's Beloved Son in whom he is well pleased, May we serve others in love as we have been served in love.

Most Blessed Immaculate Heart of Mary As All generations call you blessed through your fiat, May we too move with haste to share the gift of God's love to others.

Most Betrothed Chaste Heart of St. Joseph As you took Jesus and Mary into your home, May we foster free, faithful, fruitful and total love in our family.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic churches, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, Graciously hear our prayer.



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