



March 29, 2026

# CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

## *PALM SUNDAY*



The gaze of Jesus, who always wants nothing but our good, precedes us. He does not want us to be “activists” of a political party; he calls us to be with him as friends, so that our lives may be renewed. And witness arises spontaneously from the joyful newness of this friendship. It is a unique friendship that grants us communion with God, a faithful friendship that helps us discover our dignity and that of others, a friendship that not even death can destroy, because the risen and crucified Lord is its source.

Let us consider the message the Apostle John gives us at the end of the fourth Gospel: “This is the disciple who is bearing witness to these things, and who has written these things; and we know that his testimony is true.” The entire preceding account is summarized as a “testimony,” full of gratitude and wonder, from a disciple who never reveals his name, but calls himself “the disciple whom Jesus loved.” This title reflects a relationship: it is not the name of an individual, but the testimony of a personal bond with Christ. That is what really matters to John: being a disciple of the Lord and feeling loved by him. We understand, then, that Christian witness is the fruit of a relationship of faith and love with Jesus, in whom we find the salvation of our lives. What the Apostle John writes also refers to you, dear young people. You are invited by Christ to follow him and sit beside him, to listen to his heart and share closely in his life! Each one of you is a “beloved disciple” for him, and from this love comes the joy of witness.

Another courageous witness to the Gospel is John the Baptist, who came “to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him.” Although he enjoyed great fame among the people, he knew well that he was only a “voice” pointing to the Savior when he exclaimed, “Behold, the Lamb of God.” His example reminds us that true witnesses do not seek to occupy the center stage, nor to bind their followers to themselves. True witnesses are humble and inwardly free, above all from themselves, that is, from the pretense of being the center of attention. Therefore, they are free to listen, to understand, and also to speak the truth to everyone, even in the presence of those who are powerful. From John the Baptist, we learn that Christian witness is neither a proclamation of ourselves nor a celebration of our spiritual, intellectual or moral abilities. True witness is recognizing and pointing to Jesus when he appears, as he is the only one who saves us. John recognized him among sinners, immersed in common humanity. To that end, Pope Francis insisted so often that if we do not go beyond ourselves and our comfort zones, if we do not go to the poor and those who feel excluded from the Kingdom of God, we lose the sweet joy of being evangelized and of evangelizing.

I invite each of you to continue to individuate Jesus’ friends and witnesses in the Bible. As you read the Gospel, you will find that they all discovered the true meaning of life through their living relationship with Christ. Indeed, our deepest questions are not heard or answered by endlessly scrolling, which captures our attention but leaves us with tired minds and empty hearts. This search will not take us far if we keep it closed within ourselves. The fulfillment of our authentic desires always comes through going beyond ourselves.

**Pope Leo XIV**

# DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY MASS & SERVICE TIMES



**Chrism Mass** March 31, 2026  
7:00pm



**Holy Thursday** April 2, 2026  
Mass of the Lord's Supper  
7:00pm  
Adoration & Reconciliation  
8:00pm - Midnight



**Good Friday** April 3, 2026  
Seven Last Words of Jesus Christ  
11:00am  
Celebration of Our Lord's Passion  
3:00pm, 6:00pm  
Outdoor Stations of the Cross  
7:00pm

**Easter Vigil**



April 4, 2026  
Easter Vigil Mass  
9:00pm

**Easter Sunday**



April 5, 2026  
Mass  
9:00am, 11:00am, 6:30pm

**Easter Octave**

Daily Mass: Monday - Saturday  
12:15pm



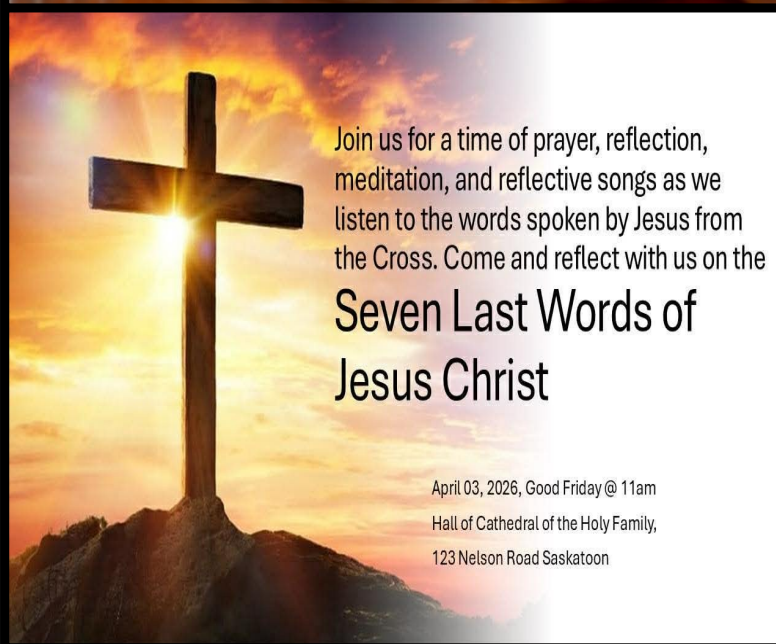
**OUTDOOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**FRIDAY APRIL 3, 2026, 7:00 PM**



Cathedral of the Holy Family

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

April 12 @ 3pm



Join us for a time of prayer, reflection, meditation, and reflective songs as we listen to the words spoken by Jesus from the Cross. Come and reflect with us on the **Seven Last Words of Jesus Christ**

April 03, 2026, Good Friday @ 11am  
Hall of Cathedral of the Holy Family,  
123 Nelson Road Saskatoon

**CALLING ALL SINGERS AND MUSICIANS!**

**YOUTH**

**CHOIR PRACTICE**

MUSIC PLUS FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND FUN!

**PRACTICE ON WEDNESDAYS 6PM - 8PM**  
MARCH 11, 25   APRIL 1, 15, 22, 29   MAY 6, 13, 27

FOR MORE INFO OR TO SIGN UP:  
[CONCHITA@HOLYFAMILYCATHEDRAL.CA](mailto:CONCHITA@HOLYFAMILYCATHEDRAL.CA)

# PARISH NEWS



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

We would like to ask all our late members' widows to send us their email address, if they should have one, as we could send them updates of events happening, so they may have the opportunity to attend, thanks!

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](mailto:koshmanw@gmail.com).



## Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday

The collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere, and also, to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution.

If you prefer to contribute online, may do so by visiting [www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us](http://www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us).

## Chrim Mass Choir Notice

We invite you to sing in the choir for the Chrim Mass on March 31 at 7pm. All singers are welcome!

Singers and musicians from across the diocese will meet at 5pm on March 31 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family to rehearse before the Mass. Email [shaun.bzdel@gmail.com](mailto:shaun.bzdel@gmail.com) for further details and to RSVP.

## Holy Week & Easter Ministries

Help us celebrate Easter well!

We have a particular need for Hospitality Ministries (Greeters & Ushers) and Altar Servers.

Sign up on the MSP app or online, or on the printed schedule near the entrance.

Ministry Scheduler Pro

[holyfamilycathedral.ca/msp](http://holyfamilycathedral.ca/msp)



**Future: My Catholic Women's League** is active in the present and looks to the future with enthusiasm. For more than 100 years, members have been making a difference nationally and even internationally as a member of World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations. The future needs you. **Join us for our next meeting April 8, 2026 at 7:00 pm** for a fun and faith filled activity led by Wendy Dale.

**CWL lenten reflection for Sunday, March 22, 2026.** Prayer: "If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand" (Psalm 130:3). Reflection: Can we truly repent our sins if we have not truly recognized them? Intention: To turn to the Lord and ask for His mercy. All enquires please contact [cofhcwl@gmail.com](mailto:cofhcwl@gmail.com).

**Easter Dance**  
Saturday, April 25, 2026  
123 NELSON ROAD, SASKATOON SK  
7 PM - 11 PM | DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

A MULTICULTURAL EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY  
WITH LIVE MUSIC FEATURING  
*St. Cecilia Choir Band*  
AND FEATURING  
THE CARIBBEAN MUSIC OF  
*Oral Fuentes*

AND **Night Owl Entertainment**

**\$40 PER FAMILY OR \$20 PER PERSON**

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE AND AFTER EACH SUNDAY MASS

ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS  
CASH BAR  
LATE LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE  
OPTIONAL: BRING A CULTURAL SNACK TO SHARE!

# 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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Facilities Manager - *Jim Nakoneshny*

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## Contact us!

Baptism (Infants): [andy@holycathedral.ca](mailto:andy@holycathedral.ca)

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Confirmation & First Eucharist: [hfsacraments.ca](http://hfsacraments.ca)

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

Marriage: [gcooper@rcdos.ca](mailto:gcooper@rcdos.ca)

Marriage Preparation: March 2025 - [gcooper@rcdos.ca](mailto:gcooper@rcdos.ca)

Reconciliation by appointment: [info@holycathedral.ca](mailto:info@holycathedral.ca)

Communion to Homebound: [info@holycathedral.ca](mailto:info@holycathedral.ca)

or call 306-659-5800.

Facility Rentals: [jim@holycathedral.ca](mailto:jim@holycathedral.ca)

## Mass Intentions next week

### Monday, March 30

12:15 pm Mass for *Bella Breit*

### Tuesday, March 31

12:15 pm Mass for *+Alex & +Cynthia Billy*

### Wednesday, April 1

12:15 pm Mass for *+Deena Renwick*

7:00 pm Mass for *+Benedict Lozinski*

*No Mass Intentions for April 2-4*

## 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*

+Toribio Ramos

+Pius Ojong Okpa

+Braydon Bretzer

+Peter Fashola

Jannette Magdugo

Perry Antosh

Zenitha Joppa Atebe

Eileen Materi

Rosalind Matchett

Melissa Go

Nori Cheong

Russ Gill

Rose Friske

Ben Friske

Hyacinth Fonseca

Sophie Irlbeck

Isa Glodoveza

Pilar Glodoveza

Joelle Buckle

Maryan Principe & Family



## 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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