

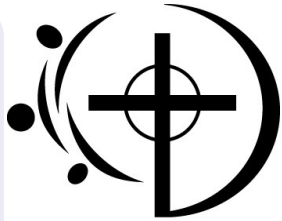
## Eucharistic Celebrations

### Sundays

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

### Weekdays

See "Week at a Glance"



# CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

*We are Holy Family*

## 1st Sunday of Lent - February 22nd, 2015



*Jesus proclaimed the Good News: 'The Kingdom of God is at hand.'*

Undertaking an important journey we must be well prepared. As we set out on our journey to Easter, we must be clear about the destination that gives meaning to this journey.

Today's gospel reading invites us to prepare ourselves in the company of Jesus. As he set out on the journey that was to lead to Easter, he prepared himself by withdrawing to some desert place, and confronting the temptation to avoid the great task that lay ahead of him. This is an astounding moment in the life of Jesus. Have we taken seriously the fact that, in sharing our human experience, Jesus knew the weight of human decisions and the temptations involved – though, of course, he was without sin in the response he made? This testing brought Jesus new strength, and he began to proclaim the Good News of the coming reign of God. In his company, during the coming days, let us recognise the nature of our temptations, and the bonds of selfishness from which we want to be freed as we make our journey to Easter.

Jesus found strength in the certainty with which he looked to the end of his journey. Though what lay ahead would not be easy, he knew that God's goodness and mercy would be victorious in the end – through his generous response to the call of his Father.

The first reading from the Book of Genesis invites us to share in this hope and expectation as we set out on our journey. It is the conclusion of the story of Noah and the ark which saved him from The Flood – one of the old stories in the introductory pages of the Bible, describing a wayward humanity, in need of the salvation God was to give. The story ends on a note of hope and promise – the rainbow will be a sign of the covenant God makes with humanity, promising that he will always be merciful.

What a magnificent symbol - reminding us of the trust we can place in God, whatever our difficulties and failings! Whenever we see the rainbow and know its promise of fine, clear weather after a storm, we should remember God's promise, and renew our trust in God's mercy, and the final triumph of God's goodness.

The second reading interprets the story of the flood and Noah's being saved as a kind of foretelling of the wonder of baptism – the destination of our journey to Easter, because it is through our baptism that we share in the risen life of Christ.

The beginning of our journey is a time for personal reflection for each of us. Perhaps, however, we need to ponder more deeply the astonishing fact that Jesus knew temptation, though he was without sin in his response to its challenge (Thornhill, 2015).

Thornhill, J (2015). 1st Sunday Lent Year B. In *The Emmaus Series*. Retrieved February 20th, 2015, from <http://www.theemmausseries.com/blent01.html>

**FaceTime with Jesus** - Weekly Eucharistic Adoration continues on Thursday evenings at Cathedral of the Holy Family and during Lent will be extended from 7 - 10 pm. Eucharistic adoration is a rich devotion by which we come to pray and be nourished by Jesus' Eucharistic presence.

*"If we are to know the Lord, we must go to Him. Listen to Him in silence before the Tabernacle and approach Him in the Sacraments."* - Pope Francis

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:** The 40 day walk for life has begun and Pro-life needs our support. Set aside 1 hour, per week or during lent, and show your support. This Sunday is Sundaes-Sunday. Enjoy a treat, socialize with friends. Meet a new friend, talk Knights of Columbus and explore membership. Our next meeting is Monday, Mar 2. Our council has budgeted to cover fees for the Spiritual Enrichment weekend. Call our GK, Gil, and let him know that you will attend. We are also supporting fundraising dinners at St. Anne's, Mar 14 & 19. It could be a free meal for a very worthwhile cause. Call our GK for details. Our next breakfast is set for Mar 8. Family of the month will be honored. Blackstrap Youth Camp AGM is on Mar 25. Each council is allowed representation and the camp is in need of board members and volunteers. All parents with children 8 to 14 should step forward and offer to take a position and help. Too often it is the grandparents that take on this role. Our council will remain strong only if our membership remains, and is active. Pay your dues, attend at least one meeting, volunteer and recruit. It is not very encouraging when we have a membership of over 250 and only 14 attend a meeting. The cancer in the Knights of Columbus is APATHY. Let's kill it before it grows. Some of the coming events to note are **1.** 40 days Life Walk in front of City hospital; **2.** Dine, Dance, Auction Feb 28; **3.** Sundaes – Sunday Feb 22; **4.** Council meeting Mar 2; **5.** Spiritual Enrichment Weekend Mar 20 & 21; **6.** St Anne's dinners Mar 14 & 19. Telephone #s all start with 306; Grand Knight Gil - 249-2622; program director Shawn -249-1362; membership director- Andy 249-0485; financial secretary- Garry 221-5893.

**CWL – ONE HEART, ONE VOICE, ONE MISSION:** World Day of Prayer, Friday, March 6th at 1:30 pm in the Queen of Peace Chapel. Christians in 170 countries around the world and 2000 communities in Canada will pray together and learn more of the culture and heritage of the Bahamas. The women of the Bahamas have prepared this years service “showing genuine interest in others is a positive step forward in maintaining unity among believers and reaching out to the community.” Our community churches are St. Paul's United, St. Mathew's Anglican, Forest Grove Community Church, and Dormition Of The Blessed Mother of God. Please come pray with us. ***“If Assisted Suicide is Legal, is it Right? Is Legal Euthanasia Risky?”*** The CWL is sponsoring a talk on this subject by Mary Deutscher, March 11 from 7-9 pm at the Cathedral. Mary has a MA in ethics from St. Paul's University in Ottawa as is presently a PhD candidate in public policy at the U of S. She has a wealth of professional experience and is also a volunteer for a suicide prevention hotline and accompanies those who are dying. Become informed and plan to attend this evening. All are welcome. Did You Know? The CWL are selling boxed cards with beautiful scenes of the Cathedral. There are boxes of Christmas cards with a message from Bishop Bolen and also blank ones for your own personal message. They would make great gifts! Please pray for: a prayerful lent and for those who are homeless in this cold weather may they receive the required services.

**HOLY FAMILY SINGLES (AGED 35+):** are invited to join other singles for a pot luck social every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 6:00 pm. Bring your dish and enough for 4-5 other people for sharing.



**2015 HOLY FAMILY PARISH MISSION:** The Cathedral of the Holy Family will be hosting a Parish Mission from March 1 through March 4. Our guest preacher will be Fr. Stephen Vrazel from the Archdiocese of Mobile, Alabama. Fr. Stephen is currently the pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Mobile. Ordained in 2011, Fr. Stephen brings with him a great passion for teaching and preaching as well as music. His ever-present sense of humour continues to be an effective tool in helping all people discover the great love of God. Another of his primary interests is the theology of the Founding Fathers of the Faith. Fr. Stephen will preach at all of the Sunday Masses on March 1 and then will speak at sessions at 7:00 pm on Monday and Tuesday. The Wednesday evening session will also include the celebration of the Eucharist. Mark your calendars and plan on joining us as we break open the Word of God and recognize the solidarity we share with all of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

**ST. PATRICK'S PIG 'N' WHISTLE:** The Cathedral of the Holy Family presents its annual St. Patrick's Day Pig 'N' Whistle on Friday, March 13. Doors open at 6:30 pm for Happy Hour followed by dinner at 7:00 pm. Entertainment includes the Queen Maeve Irish Dancers, Garth and Dave and then a wonderful evening of music with the Eileen Lavery Band. Tickets go on sale this weekend after each of the Masses with single tickets selling for \$25 or a table of 8 for \$200. You will enjoy a great beef on a bun with salads and dessert as well as experiencing the great service of our lovable bartenders. You will have a chance at great raffle prizes including a dinner for four with the parish **priests**. Wear your favourite Irish or green clothing as there is a prize for the best costume. As this is a licensed event, our Leprechauns regret that only those aged 19 and above are allowed. Don't miss out! Get your tickets early!

Do you want a doctor  
with moral integrity?



### Spread the word and join us in protecting conscience rights!

Physicians are being asked to violate their moral integrity by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan (CPSS). CPSS's proposed new policy requires physicians to refer and in some cases perform procedures even if they have conscience concerns. These physicians need your help, support and prayers. Will you tell the CPSS what you think about conscience rights?

**The deadline for comments is: March 6, 2015**

**Visit [www.CMDSCanada.org](http://www.CMDSCanada.org) to make your voice heard.**

**HOLY FAMILY CRAFT GUILD:** Our Craft Guild meets every Thursday during the daytime. For more information contact Teresa Field (306) 249-3674. We are accepting all sorts of craft supplies like fabrics, wool or any craft supplies.

**MOM'S MORNING OUT (MMO):** Meets Tuesday mornings: 9:30am to 11:30am.

**SPRINGS OF LIVING WATER:** a Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group that meets every Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the small conference room across from the coffee bar. Contact info: (306) 374-4766 or donlalonde@sasktel.net

**SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY:** Meets Thursdays at 10:30 am to break open the Sunday readings and share our journey. Find us laughing and talking by the fireplace or in the first meeting room on the left down the hall. Call Diane at (306) 668-1085 or just turn up. All welcome and no charge.

**HOLY YOGA CLASSES IN FEBRUARY:** Tuesday: Feb 24 and Thursday: Feb 26. All are welcome to join a class or come check us out at a free class. Holy Yoga is a unique prayer form with a Christ-centered focus, involving body, mind and spirit. For more information, call Diane (306) 668-1085 or e-mail dianew@holyyoga.net.

**UPCOMING QUENCH EVENTS: February 22nd** - First Nights of Book Clubs and Small Groups. Quench is a young adults program for those 18 - 35. We focus on growing in our faith through prayer, speakers, worship and friends. You can also find us on Facebook as a group under the name "Quench."

**40 HOURS FOR LIFE:** Every day, for forty days, people will be praying for an end to abortion and offering help to those who need support. The mission takes place in front of City Hospital and signs are provided. The times are Monday to Friday 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and every day from 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. The mission goes rain, snow or shine. God used 40 day periods to transform individuals and communities and the entire world. During these 40 days of prayer, fasting and peaceful activism, we seek to change the hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life. Individuals, church groups, school groups and youth groups are all welcome. For more information contact Denise at 306-249-2764.

**GOLDEN AGE CLUB:** Welcome all seniors to our card game (whist) at Holy Family Cathedral every Thursday at 1:30pm. Contact Len Breckner (306) 477-0518 and Alice Molle (306) 373-0450.

**TRIDUUM CHOIR:** This year we will once again be assembling a mass choir for the celebration of the Triduum. Under the direction of Fr. David, organist Ken Neitz and pianist Wendy Dale, we are seeking male and female singers to be part of this choir. Music packages are now available for pickup at the main office of the Church. The first practice will be Sunday, March 1 at 3:00 pm. Consider this your invitation to be part of a life giving ministry for the most solemn Holy days of the year.

**LENTEN PRAYER RESOURCES:** for children, youth, young adults, adults, and families are available for purchase in the Area of Welcome this weekend.

**THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!!** Get inspired by the "Lent Calendar" app from Development and Peace on the App Store or Google Play. Read more at: [www.devp.org/en/sharelent2015/calendar](http://www.devp.org/en/sharelent2015/calendar)

#### **FEBRUARY 2015 YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE:**

**Gr 3 – 5 Youth Group:** Tuesday, February 24th 6:00pm to 8:00pm

**Gr 6 – 8 Youth Group:** Friday, February 27th 6:00pm to 8:00pm

The Holy Family Youth Ministry invites Gr 8 – 12 students in our parish community to 2015 THINKfast Lenten Retreat. Highlights: Sleepover at the Church (Friday, February 27 – Saturday, February 28. Adoration, Game/Movie Night: St. Francis of Assisi, Acts of Kindness to inner city Saskatoon. Registration cost \$20.00 through Anthony at the Parish office. Parents are invited to help out with transportation Saturday morning (Feb 28) to and from Downtown for the inner city Acts of Kindness. Please RSVP to Anthony.

We encourage individuals yet to drop off their completed Haiti mission 2015 application form to do so at the parish office no later than Friday, February 27 between the hours of 9.00am - 4.30pm. Thank you.

YOUTH Led Mass resumes 2nd Sunday of March, starting with the 9.00am Mass. Interested youth from Grades 3 – 12 are encouraged to RSVP to Anthony for liturgical ministries.



## WEEK AT A GLANCE

<b>Mon Feb 23rd</b>	Christian Initiation (RCIA)	7:00pm
<b>Tue Feb 24th</b>	Mom's Morning Out Holy Yoga Mass (+Phil & Carolyn Lashutka) Kingdom Kids (Gr. 3-5)	9:00am 9:30am 12:15pm 6:00pm
<b>Wed Feb 25th</b>	Mass (+Lorraine Wallace) Springs of Living Water	12:15pm 7:30pm
<b>Thurs Feb 26th</b>	Craft Guild Small Christian Community Prayer Mass (Katherine & Matthew Farthing) Golden Age Eucharistic Adoration	9:00am 10:30am 12:15pm 1:30pm 7:00pm
<b>Fri Feb 27th</b>	Sherbrooke (+Raymond Mitchell) Mass Kids 4 Christ	10:00am 12:15pm 6:00pm
<b>Sat Feb 28th</b>	Holy Yoga Reconciliation	9:30am 11:00am

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE – FEBRUARY 22ND, 2015

MINISTRY	9:00 AM	11:30 AM	6:30 PM
<b>Coordinator</b>	Wayne K	Dave B	Doreen C
<b>Greeters</b>	Elaine B Solange B Cliff L Sandra L	Samantha M Robert M Matthew M Linda M	
<b>Ushers</b>	Glen B Donna B Gloria N Rene J	Cathy B Naty M Tom S Nathan S	
<b>Concierge Desk Minister</b>	Heather F	Janet J	Doug & Cathy S
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Jennifer C Justin E Jenna E Martine B	Adam R Ally R Isabel M Taylor R	<b>Multi-Cultural Ministries</b>
<b>Commentator</b>	Rosalie L	Dana R	
<b>Lectors</b>	Roland L Cathy L	Ella H Alicia Z	
<b>Extra Ordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Melissa E David F Tom F Andy W Blair C Mike M Julianne M Julian D Diane W Joan O Rosanna P Trevor P Anita P Tyler W Julianna M David U	Elizabeth B Harry F Reg N Dan J Val P Gwen K Aline F Julian O Kevin K Kristian K Tracy H Jeff W Pat L Brian R Jackie W Gil W	
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Amanda A Andrea W Miranda W	Rachell Z Janelle W Kallie H	Amanda K Beth K

### YTD Cash Flow To December 31st, 2014 *Subject to Auditor's Review*

Sunday Collections (Pre-Authorized Giving Included)	\$ 652,535
Loose Collections	84,515
Other Revenue	521,545
Less: Expenses	1,142,944
Less: Mortgage Payments (Effective Jan. 1st 2014)	\$ 165,560
Deficit	(\$ 49,909)

Remaining Debt as of December 31st, 2014: \$3,577,005

**Baptism (Infants):** Please contact Andy Korvemaker.

**RCIA (Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults):** Please contact Andy Korvemaker.

**Confirmation and First Eucharist:** Contact Andy Korvemaker.

**Marriage:** Contact Father David at least one year prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

**Marriage Preparation:** March 6th & 7th, 2015. Call Pat at (306) 659-5805

**Reconciliation:** 11:00am - 11:30am on Saturdays or by appointment.

**Communion to Homebound & Elderly:** Contact Garth Horn.

**To add people to the prayer list:** please contact the Parish Office during the week at (306) 659-5800

#### The sick:

Emery Hirsch	Francis Bourgeois
Tony Carreiro	Al Molle
Delores Wolfe	Nash Jacobi
Valerie Dychko	David Pitka
Margaret Gartner	Rose Boechler
Lynn Bell	Owen Stephens
Monique Stevens	Alma Bennett
Nolan Barnes	John Kuzyk
James Kostyk	Margaret Afseth
Kate Gardner	Dale White
Mary Martinez	Pat Albers
Ann Bohnet	Allan Ecker
Kayden Kot	Karen German
Cheryl Crofford	Jim Kozmyk
Bill Carreiro	Leon Lux
Glenn Walker	Simone Kuckartz
Preston Dyck	Ron Ecker

#### Stewardship Corner

*There is a fundamental obligation arising from Baptism: that Christians place their gifts, resources and whole selves at God's service in and through the Church*

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# Diocesan Bulletin

Sunday, Feb. 22, 2015

First Sunday of Lent

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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

**Rite of Election** - On the first Sunday of Lent, catechumens who are journeying toward celebration of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist this Easter are welcomed by the bishop as the Elect, entering a new phase of purification and enlightenment on their journey of faith. All are welcome to attend the Rite of Election at 3 p.m. **Sunday, Feb. 22** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon.

**40 Hours For Life** continues every day until Palm Sunday, March 29. Pray for an end to abortion and offer help to those who need support. This mission is held in front of Saskatoon City Hospital (signs are provided). Times are: Monday to Friday 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and every day of the week from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. rain, snow or shine. For more information contact Denise at (306) 249-2764.

**Prayer Night for Peace in the World** - The Emmanuel Community and Holy Spirit Parish will host an evening of Eucharistic Adoration and prayer for peace 7:30 p.m. **Thursday, Feb. 26** at Holy Spirit, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon. Unite in prayer for our brothers and sisters who are living amidst turmoil, strife and war.

### Diocesan Congress Day in the Deaneries

All are welcome to join Bishop Don Bolen and parish, deanery and diocesan leadership for a **Congress Day to be held in three locations:**

- **Feb. 28 - St. Patrick Parish, 3339 Centennial Drive, Saskatoon.** RSVP by calling: (306) 659-5831 or by e-mail: [foundations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com](mailto:foundations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com)
- **March 7 - St. Joseph Parish, 600-4th Ave., Kindersley.** RSVP by Feb. 27: [foundations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com](mailto:foundations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com) or (306) 659-5831 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005, Extension\*831.
- **March 14 - St. Augustine Parish, 809-10th St., Humboldt.** RSVP by March 6 to: [staugustine@sasktel.net](mailto:staugustine@sasktel.net) or call: (306) 682-2106.

#### Topics of discussion at each Congress Day:

- **Feedback about the Synod on the Family**
  - **The Year of Consecrated Life**
  - **Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide**

**Schedule:** 9:30 a.m. registration; lunch is provided at no charge (please RSVP); Congress Day concludes in each location with celebration of Mass starting 3:30 p.m.

### “The Light of Glory in Prairie Skies”

#### *in the Stained Glass Art of Holy Family Cathedral*

Join Bishop Donald Bolen and Agnes Pelletier for this prayerful, poetic and theological Lenten reflection on God's revelation, examined through the lens of the beauty and art of the stained glass windows that circle the worship space at the Cathedral of the Holy Family.

- 2 pm Sunday, **March 1 - Creation and Covenant**
- 2 p.m. Sunday, **March 15 - Annunciation and Incarnation**
- 2 p.m. Sunday, **March 29 - Resurrection and Glory**

No registration required (there will be a free will offering).

All are welcome to attend one, two, or all three of these “Foundations: *Exploring Our Faith Together*” sessions at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon.

**Dialogue and Diversity Conference** will be held **Feb. 27-28** at St. Thomas More College, 1437 College Drive, Saskatoon, bringing the vision of Pope Francis and the Second Vatican Council into dialogue with present-day understandings of identity, conflict and diversity. Keynote speakers include: Dr. Catherine Cornille and Dr. Eileen Schuller. For more details see: <http://stmcollege.ca/research/conferences.php>

**Knights of Columbus Culture of Life fundraising dinner,** dance and auction **Feb 28** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Tickets \$35 each. Contact Louis (306) 249-2764 or John (306) 477-1748.

**“Where are We Going? 50 Years of Jewish-Christian Conversations”** - The Roman Catholic Diocesan Interfaith Commission presents Dr. Eileen Schuller, (Dept of Religious Studies, McMaster University), a specialist in Jewish-Christian relations and adviser to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. 7:30 p.m. on **Sunday, March 1** at Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon, together with a panel of respondents: Rabbi Claudio Jodorkovsky, Rev. Scott Pittendrigh, and Sr. Lucy Thorson. All are welcome. No charge.

**Celebrating 15 Years of Covenant** - McClure United Church and Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Church will celebrate 15 years of their Covenant relationship at 2 p.m. **Sunday, March 8** at Holy Spirit Church, 114 Kingsmere Place.

**Men's Spiritual Enrichment Weekend** March 20-21 at Holy Spirit Parish in Saskatoon is open to all men of faith, hosted by the Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus. Contact: Dale Meier: (306) 374-9160 or [cdmeier@shaw.ca](mailto:cdmeier@shaw.ca)

# Message Board



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**Introduction to Restorative Justice** will be held Monday evenings, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., from **Feb. 23 - March 30** at Resurrection Lutheran Church, 310 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. Sponsored by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, Mennonite Central Committee, The Micah Mission and Micah on Campus. See: [www.academyofdiscipleship.org](http://www.academyofdiscipleship.org) or contact Myron Rogal to register at (306) 659-5841 or e-mail: [vocations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com](mailto:vocations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com)

**Conscience rights of doctors** - A proposed policy by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan (CPSS) would require doctors in Saskatchewan to refer for, or in some cases provide, services to which they are morally opposed. This could include abortion or assisted suicide. The Christian Medical and Dental Society has prepared resources about this issue, available on their website: [www.cmdscanada.org](http://www.cmdscanada.org) Tell CPSS what you think about conscience rights before the **March 6 deadline**, by emailing: comments to: [communications@cps.sk.ca](mailto:communications@cps.sk.ca)

**Synod on the Family - feedback for the October 2015 gathering in Rome** - The Vatican synod document can be found at: [www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com](http://www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com) - including a series of questions. Anyone interested is invited to submit responses **before the deadline of March 10** by e-mail to [codirector@saskatoonrcdiocese.com](mailto:codirector@saskatoonrcdiocese.com) or you can mail/drop-off written input at Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd Floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, SK, S7S 1H1. Or attend Congress Day in the Deaneries at one of three locations (see Page 1), which will also include discussion and reflection on the Synod on the Family document.

**Catholic Engaged Encounter** weekend marriage preparation retreat will be held **March 13-15** at St. Peter's Abbey in Muenster. Topics include romance, communication, managing conflict, finances, intimacy, forgiveness, marriage as a sacrament, and more. Register at [www.ceewest.com](http://www.ceewest.com) or call Heather and Craig at (306) 682-3326. For other marriage preparation opportunities in the diocese of Saskatoon, check out: [www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/marriage-and-family-life](http://www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/marriage-and-family-life)

**St. Michael's parish, Saskatoon will celebrate its 60th anniversary** at the 9 a.m. Mass **Sunday, March 15** with Bishop Don Bolen. Potluck brunch following Mass. All past parishioners/priests invited to attend this milestone celebration.

**Diocesan Prayer Intention** - We pray as a diocesan family for those preparing for baptism at Easter, as they begin this Lenten season of Purification and Enlightenment.

## Stewardship Corner: Your Faith in Action

Just as Noah and his family were "saved through water", so, too, believers in Christ are saved through the water of Christian Baptism. Lent is a time to prepare to renew our baptismal promises at Easter. Lent is a time to look for those areas in our lives that need a change of thinking and behavior; to seek reconciliation with God, ourselves, and others. The Sacrament of Baptism is a call for us to place our gifts, our resources, our very 'selves' at God's service in and through the Church.

[www.dscatholicfoundation.ca/parish-stewardship-resources](http://www.dscatholicfoundation.ca/parish-stewardship-resources)

## Year of Consecrated Life

"God calls you to make definitive choices, and He has a plan for each of you: To discover that plan and to respond to your vocation is to move toward personal fulfilment."

- Pope Francis, 2013 World Youth Day.

For more info about Consecrated Life see our website:

[www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/year-consecrated-life](http://www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/year-consecrated-life)

**Children's Story Time:** Guest reader 10 a.m. **Thursday, Feb. 26** will be Micheline Thibault at the Msgr. Michael J. Koch Library, located at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd floor of Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon.

**Pure Witness Ministries Annual Fundraiser Dinner** 5 p.m. **Sunday, March 15** at Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon with entertainment by the Pure Witness Team. For tickets or to donate auction items contact: Joey Paul (306) 850-5248 or [joey.paul@purewitness.com](mailto:joey.paul@purewitness.com)

**"Joy of the Gospel – Unwrapping the Gift of Jesus"** - 7 p.m. **March 4, 11, 18 and 25** at St. Peter the Apostle Parish, 1121 Northumberland Ave., Saskatoon. Speaker Jocelyne Hamoline will examine Pope Francis' invitation in the Joy of the Gospel, to live the mission of faith through personal transformation. How can we evangelize our own spirits and proclaim God's love to others through our everyday lives?

## Foundations: Exploring Our Faith Together

*Please call to pre-register; sessions cost \$5 each.*

**"Bless me Father, for I Have Sinned"** - Reflecting on the sacrament of reconciliation with Sr. Teresita Kambeitz, 3 p.m. **Thursday, March 5** at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon. Contact Charlene or Delores: (306) 374-1425.

**"Twelve steps to prayer"** - 7 p.m. **Wednesday, March 4** at St. Michael Parish in Cudworth, SK., featuring speaker Fr. Paul Paproski, Contact Carol at (306) 256-3631.

**"I Believe Because..."** - 7 p.m. **Thursday, March 5**, at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 222 Willow St., Saskatoon, featuring speaker Colm Leyne. Contact Irene at (306) 933-1108.

**"I Believe Because..."** - 10 a.m. **Saturday, March 7**, at Sacred Heart Parish in Eston, featuring speaker Colm Leyne. Contact Angeline at (306) 962-4382.

**"Pope Francis Said What?"** - 7 p.m. **Monday March 9**, at St. Philippe Neri Parish in Vonda, SK. Sr. Teresita Kambeitz, OSU will examine Pope Francis' challenges to Catholics in "The Joy of the Gospel." Contact Louise at (306) 258-2047.

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