



Diocesan Bulletin

Sunday, March 1, 2015

Second 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

"Where are We Going? 50 Years of Jewish-Christian Conversations" 7:30 p.m. **Sunday, March 1** at Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon. All are welcome to attend.

Telemiracle fundraiser - Violinist Ava Leschyshyn, 11, will perform a benefit concert 4 p.m. **Sunday, March 1** at Upper Hall, Saskatoon Conservatory of Music, 1002-22nd St. W., Saskatoon. Silver collection, with all proceeds going to Telemiracle 39.

"Joy of the Gospel – Unwrapping the Gift of Jesus" **March 4, 11, 18 and 25** at 7 p.m., St. Peter the Apostle parish, 1121 Northumberland Ave., Saskatoon. Jocelyne Hamoline will reflect on Pope Francis' invitation in "The Joy of the Gospel," to live the mission of faith through personal transformation. All are welcome.

Generation to Generation: Passing on the Faith to Children of the Church - An evening discussion with Rev Dr Gordon T. Smith, will be held 7:30 p.m., **Wednesday March 4** at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1636 Acadia Drive, Saskatoon.

Children's Story Time guest reader **10 a.m. Thursday, March 5** will be Bishop Don Bolen at the Msgr. Michael J. Koch Library in the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd floor, Holy Family Cathedral.

Marian Cenacle - all are invited to this holy hour, which consists of adoration, the rosary, benediction, hymns and various prayers, at 8 p.m. **Thursday, March 5** at St. Michael's Catholic parish #18 - 33rd St. E., Saskatoon and also at 3 p.m. **Wednesday, March 11** at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cres. E., Saskatoon.

Contemplative Mass will be led by Fr. Kevin McGee 7 p.m. **Friday, March 6** at St. Augustine Church, 602 Boychuk Drive, Saskatoon.

A nine-day 'triumph' retreat will be held **March 6-15** at St. Therese Institute, Bruno, SK. This is a facilitated journey of spiritual growth, leading to a Christ-centered life filled with joy! Info: <http://st-t.ca/triumph> or call: (306) 369-2555.

Meaning in Suffering - Mark Pickup, who has advanced MS and is wheelchair dependent, will speak at an eparchial "Sobor in Action" banquet 6 p.m. **Saturday, March 7**. Mark's life and testimony reveals the profound meaning that can be found in human suffering and limitation, through relationship with Jesus Christ. Cost is \$20 for banquet at Bishop James Mahoney High School, 231 Primrose Dr., Saskatoon. Some standing room is also available for those not attending the banquet, but pre-registration is still required. E-mail: john.starosta@sasktel.net

Pure Witness Ministry's next YEP for youth Grades 8 and up will be held 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Saturday, March 7** at Our Lady of Lourdes parish, 1235 12th St. E, Saskatoon. This month's theme is Catholic Apologetics: defending your faith in everyday life. Cost: \$20 for YEP only, or \$25 for YEP plus supper afterwards (4 - 7 p.m.)

Pure Witness Ministries ReConnect Coffee House for all ages 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. **Saturday, March 7** at Our Lady of Lourdes parish, 1235 12th St. E., Saskatoon. Cost: \$5 at the door.

"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. **March 15 - Annunciation and Incarnation**
- 2 p.m. **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.

Sharing Tea Amidst Conflict Stories from Palestine and Israel 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., **Saturday, March 7**, at Westminster United Church, 708 13th Ave., Humboldt, SK. Debbie Hubbard and Dean Reidt will share experiences from their time as human rights observers with the Ecumenical Accompaniment program in Palestine and Israel. (Includes refreshments and fair trade sale.)

Celebrating 15 Years of Covenant - With much joy, McClure United and Holy Spirit Roman Catholic churches will celebrate 15 years of their covenant relationship 2 p.m. **Sunday, March 8** at Holy Spirit, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon. Guest speakers are Rev. Jordan Cantwell of the United Church Riverbend Presbytery and Saskatoon Catholic Bishop Don Bolen. A social will follow.

If Assisted Suicide is Legal, is it Right? Is Legal Euthanasia Risky? Holy Family CWL presents guest speaker Mary Deutscher 7 p.m. **Wednesday, March 11**, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd., Saskatoon. All are welcome.

St. Michael's parish in Saskatoon 60th anniversary celebration: begins 9 a.m. **Sunday, March 15** with Mass celebrated by Bishop Don Bolen, followed by a potluck brunch.

"Voices for Change: Be Transformed" will be presented 6:30 p.m. **Thursday March 19**, at the Roxy Theatre, 320 20th St. W. Saskatoon, with students from several Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools (GSCS) reflecting on the theme of anti-oppression through a variety of art forms. This event is free; all are welcome. Organized by the GSCS Anti Oppressive Education Committee.

Diocesan Prayer Intention - We pray as a diocesan family for all those who are working to promote the sacredness of life at every stage, especially those witnessing in our community each day of Lent as part of 40 Hours for Life.

Message Board



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Diocese seeks helping hearts and hands - Do you enjoy shopping, organizing, food preparation, serving at functions? Do you have a love of being with people and serving others? Consider joining our diocesan catering team! A few times each year, this volunteer team assists the diocese in hosting social functions, including the reception after the Chrism Mass, to be held this year on Monday, March 30. If you would like to help, contact Sharon at foundations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com or (306) 659-5831.

Msgr. Michael J. Koch Library is seeking volunteers – no experience is required for this volunteer opportunity at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 123 Nelson Rd., Saskatoon. Contact Mariel at library@saskatoonrcdiocese.com or call: (306) 659-5853.

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Retrouvaille (*pronounced retro-vie*) is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health and re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought a couple together. For confidential information or to register for the **April 17-19** weekend in Saskatoon, call Wendy or Fritz at (306) 652-7155 or e-mail: retrouvaille@sasktel.net

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. Tell CPSS what you think about conscience rights before the **March 6 deadline**, by e-mailing comments to: communications@cps.sk.ca or mail: CPSS, # 500-321A-21st Street E., Saskatoon, S7K 0C1. **Sample letters:** www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/office-justice-and-peace-0 or call the Catholic Centre at (306) 242-1500.

Synod on the Family - Seeking feedback for the October 2015 gathering in Rome: the Vatican synod document can be found at: www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com or call (306) 242-1500 for a printed copy. It includes a series of questions about issues related to the family. Responses are invited to any or all questions **before March 10**; e-mail: codirector@saskatoonrcdiocese.com or mail/ drop-off: Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd Floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, SK, S7S 1H1.

Catholic Engaged Encounter 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 or call Heather and Craig at (306) 682-3326. **For other marriage preparation opportunities** see: www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/marriage-and-family-life

Queen's House: Many opportunities for retreat and renewal are offered at Queen's House, 601 Taylor St W, Saskatoon; see the website at: www.queenshouse.org or call (306) 242-1500.

Newman Players presents "Persuasion" at St. Thomas More College, 1437 College Drive, Saskatoon. This stage adaptation of Jane Austen's last novel is a classic romance story. Performances are 7 p.m. **Thursday, March 12 to Saturday, March 14** and 2 p.m. **Sunday, March 15**. For tickets and information call: (306) 966-8900 or see: www.stmcollege.ca/newmanplayers

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; auction, wine pull. Tickets: \$60 (with a \$30 tax receipt). Contact Joey Paul at (306) 850-5248 or e-mail: joey.paul@purewitness.com

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.

"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. Also being offered at 10 a.m. Saturday, **March 7**, at Sacred Heart Parish in Eston; 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' "Joy of the Gospel." Contact Louise at (306) 258-2047. Also offered at 7 p.m. **Monday, March 16** at St. Anne Parish in Delisle, SK; contact Katie at (306) 493-2380.

"Evangelization" - 7 p.m. Wednesday **March 11**, at St. Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon, with Bishop Emeritus Gerald Wiesner, OMI; contact Sr. Diane at (306) 931-4700.

Diocesan Congress Day in the Deaneries - Congress Day will be held at St. Augustine's Parish in Humboldt **Saturday, March 14**. RSVP to: staugustine@sasktel.net or call: (306) 682-2106 by the March 6 deadline. (No cost, all welcome.) Registration: 9:30 a.m.; concludes with 3:30 p.m. Mass.

"World peace, Terrorism and Religious Traditions – Reflections on the aftermath of the Paris shooting" will be held 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. **Thursday, March 12** at Royal Canadian Legion Auditorium, 606 Spadina Crescent West, Saskatoon. Panel: Prof. Terry Wotherspoon, U of S Department of Sociology; Dr. Kumar, Hindu Society of Saskatoon; Lori Petruskevich, Buddhist community; Dr. A. Shoker, MD, Division of Nephrology; Imam Ilyas, Islamic Association of Saskatchewan; Rabbi Claudio Jororkovsky, Congregation Agudas Israel; Rabbi Raphael Kats, Chabad Jewish Discovery Centre; Bishop Donald Bolen, Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon; and Brian Walton, Saskatoon Health Region spiritual care educator. Organized by the Islamic Association of Saskatchewan Saskatoon Inc.

Telemiracle - The Praise and Worship Choir from St. Mary's Parish, Lanigan will perform at Telemiracle **Sunday, March 8**, sometime between 9 and 9:30 a.m.

Diocesan social media - Ideas for Lent, meatless dishes, etc. can be found on the diocese's Pinterest page – find us at saskatooncath – or follow us on Twitter: [@saskatooncath](https://twitter.com/saskatooncath)

Resources on website: "Praying Lent with Pope Francis" features daily reflections written by Fr. Nestor Gregoire, OMI, of St. Joseph/St. Francis parishes in Saskatoon, and is available as a PDF: www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/scripture-resources (*near bottom of page*). Weekly prayer reflections that focus on the Sunday readings are also posted on this same webpage.

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