

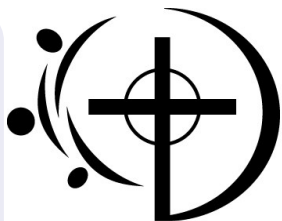
## Eucharistic Celebrations

### Sundays

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

### Weekdays

See "Week at a Glance"



# CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

*We are Holy Family*

## 3rd Sunday of Advent - December 13th, 2015



In today's gospel reading we continue Luke's account of the mission of John, the precursor of the Saviour. It reflects the life of a community that has come to recognize that, though the final moment of God's plan has come through the Risen Lord's Paschal Mystery, how that moment will unfold in the world's history is God's secret. They know that they must get on with their ordinary lives. Luke presents the preaching of John as 'Good News', foreshadowing important elements in the teaching of Jesus himself. It is 'tax collectors' and 'soldiers' – representing those looked down upon by respectable society in old Israel – who are open to John's message of repentance: the very ones who will respond to the message of Jesus. 'What must we do?' they ask John. It is not an easy question to ask with a humble sincerity that is open to hearing the truth. It reminds us of Advent's call to a deeper conversion and commitment. Luke's community remembers how John replied to this question, as calling them to get on with their ordinary lives, asking themselves

whether they recognize Christ himself in their needy brothers and sisters, and whether they serve the Lord by the integrity with which they carry out their role in life. Traditionally, the liturgy of the Third Sunday of Advent overflows with the theme of the joy of believing. This is one of Luke's favourite themes, and the gospel reading's reference to the 'feeling of anticipation' John's preaching aroused, and his foretelling of the Lord who 'will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire' chime in with this theme. Clearly, our liturgy's other readings have been chosen with this tradition in mind. 'I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord', Paul writes to the Philippians; and he recommends practical ways that lead to authentic happiness 'in the Lord': tolerance towards those whose ways are not our own, and a prayer that unites trust in the Lord for the future with thanksgiving for his many blessings in the past. No doubt, taking seriously his faith in the one who has baptized us 'with the Holy Spirit and fire' has given Paul a personal experience of the 'peace' of which he speaks, the peace that only God can give. Something has gone wrong if our faith never brings us deep joy. Joy is the experience of what we were made for. The faith that the Baptiser heralded, the faith that is the gift of the Risen Lord, and the faith that unites Luke's community and so many other communities after them, is a personal knowledge of God's love and mercy. It brings a joy and peace 'that the world cannot give' (Jn 14:27). Even for old Israel, as our first reading from the prophet Zephaniah reminds us, joy was one of the hallmarks of authentic faith. In this astounding text, the prophet calls the people to 'rejoice' with all their hearts, because 'the Lord' of Israel's hopes is 'in their midst', victorious, 'renewing them by his love'. Their joy should mingle with the Lord's own rejoicing, as he 'dances with shouts of joy over them'. This text is doubly appropriate in these weeks of Advent – its words ('Rejoice, daughter of Zion, the Lord, your God is in your midst') may well have inspired Luke's Annunciation narrative (Thornhill, 2015).

Thornhill, J (2015). 3rd Sunday of Advent Year C. In *The Emmaus Series*. Retrieved December 11th, 2015, from <http://www.theemmausseries.com/cadvent03.html>

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: DECEMBER 14** – mark it on your calendar, our next meeting and the last one for the year. It will be a short business meeting with a social to follow. Social – wine, cheese, etc and a Malawi presentation – free. Our membership is now approaching 280, so we have booked the entire hall since we expect everyone (less 10% for the sick and injured) to attend. This Sunday will be our breakfast, plan to stay and enjoy. Food hampers will be prepared on Fri, Dec 18 and delivered on Sat. If you can help (which is badly needed) call Gil 306-249-2622. You are again reminded to collect your volunteer hours and let Allan Ronellenfitsch know. 306-652-1583. The Carol Festival is now over and all reports on this 58<sup>th</sup> annual event have come back positive. You can start planning for the next major degree – Jan 17, 2016. Is there a friend out there that will give you a gift of a signed Form 100 this Christmas?



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:** Called to Holiness through service to the people of God. Our Advent celebration was a great success as we enjoyed many different appetizers and desserts. There were about 50 ladies in attendance. Fr. Greg Smith-Windsor and Michael Yaremko, our intern, were also able to join us. Our council is growing!! We have 20 new members of which 8 were able to attend and be installed. Cathy Bouvier, Armelle Brad, Ardelle Chicilo, Sylvie Fortier-Kot, Dianne Mamchur, Erin Meier, Naty Mathews and Arlene Ostertag. Congratulations and welcome to the biggest women's organization in Canada. Welcome to Helen Belsher, Teresa Field, Bernie Boser, Laurene Schumacher and Sharon Strobbe who have transferred from different councils. We also acknowledged a few women for their service - 25 years – Patricia Barkman; 40 years – Rose Friske; 60 years – Stella McIntosh. Congratulations! We have been blessed with your generous service over the years. Winners of the raffle were 1st prize quilt – Jesie Hodgkinson, 2nd prize painting – Donna Braun, 3rd gift basket – Dorothy Zabracski. Thank you to all who purchased a ticket. Did you know: We will be hosting the Provincial CWL convention. Mark your calendars for June 6 & 7, 2016. More info later. Please pray for: The Year of Mercy, as Pope Francis has declared on Dec. 8, which began by the opening of the Doors of Mercy at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome; for all in the parish that are suffering from illness, may they be restored to health and have an enjoyable Christmas.

**HOLY FAMILY CRAFT GUILD:** meet on Thursdays at 9:30am. New members are most welcome to join in the fun, fellowship and opportunity to teach and learn together. The Craft Guild's objective is to raise money for our parish as well as for charity by producing a variety of crafts mostly from donated or recycled materials. Donations of fabric, quilt batting, old jeans, yarn, etc... can be left at the front office marked for the Craft Guild. Please contact Anna Hartman at (306) 249-0071 or Teresa Field at (306) 249-3764 for more information.

**STAINED GLASS AND CHAPEL MOSAIC CARDS FOR ALL OCCASIONS:** Some cards are blank and can be used for any occasion; some cards have a Christmas greeting written by **Bishop Donald Bolen**. Packs of 12 cards \$15/package. Available at the Church Office Reception desk and at the Concierge Desk on Sundays.



**HOLY YOGA:** a unique Christ-Centered prayer form, helps us understand how we can use our minds, bodies and spirits to relax and become more receptive to God in our lives. **Classes are finished for this session and will start up again January 5th, Tuesday and Thursday mornings, Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings.** For info or to register: dianew@holyyoga.net.

**SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY PRAYER:** Meets Thursdays at 10:00 am to break open the Sunday readings and share our journey. Call Diane at (306) 668-1085 or feel free to drop in to the small conference room down the hallway opposite the bathrooms. All are welcome!

**ALPHA - Just the beginning!** The Alpha program is being offered at the Cathedral of the Holy Family beginning February 2, 2016. We begin with a meal, video, and then conversation. Some comments from past participants are: Strengthened my faith, feel more at peace, made new friends, feel more love/loved, discovered a relationship with God through Jesus, and found new purpose in life. Join us for "dinner and a movie" starting Tuesdays, February 2, 6:30-9:00 pm. Check out [www.alphacanada.org](http://www.alphacanada.org) and [www.youtube.com/user/AlphaCanada](http://www.youtube.com/user/AlphaCanada)

**NEW LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:** The new Liturgical Ministry Schedule for December- February, 2016 has been sent out by email. If you have not received one, copies are available in the Sacristy.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS ARE NEEDED:** for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Mary, Mother of God (December 31 and January 1) Masses. Sign-up sheets are on a flip chart next to the Concierge desk. We appreciate your service in signing up for these Ministries.

### RECONCILIATION - ADVENT

Saturday, December 19 - 10:00 am to Noon, Sunday, December 20 - 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm & Tuesday, December 22 - 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

## CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Once again, Holy Family has committed to support 60 families this year by way of Christmas Hampers. **There are three ways for you to participate:**

- 1) Donate \$75 (to cover the cost of one hamper)
- 2) Purchase a gift for a child (about \$35) —See the Christmas Tree in the Area of Welcome— **WE NEED MORE GIFTS!**
- 3) Help Assemble/Deliver Hampers

**To donate \$75:** stop by the Concierge Desk on Sundays or the Reception Desk during the week.

**To help assemble/deliver:** contact Gil Wist (306) 249-2622 or Donna Dube (306) 244-2227

**MOM'S MORNING OUT (MMO):** Tuesday Dec 15: (9:30-11:30) We have our Christmas party potluck! All moms please bring a brunch-like (nut free) food to share! We will be eating and visiting the entire session while our kids play!

**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 Please note that there will be NO prayer meetings on December 23rd and 30th.

**FOREVER IN MOTION FITNESS CLASSES FOR OLDER ADULTS:** Did you know that many falls and chronic health conditions such as high blood pressure and heart disease can be prevented by participating in regular physical activity? **Classes will be at Holy Family on Mondays and Thursdays 10:00--11:00 am.** For info call: Rosalie (306) 652-5028 or Sally (306) 249-2029



**2016 PERU MISSION INFORMATION NIGHT:** Are you interested in going on a mission trip to Peru in August, 2016? Holy Family is accepting applications for 10 teenage missionaries (Gr. 10 –12) and 4 adult chaperones. A general information night for parents, teens and interested chaperones will be held on Tues, Jan. 19th 7:00pm



### *“Come Spend Christmas with Family”*

**Christmas Eve Masses:**

4:30pm, 7:00pm and Midnight

**Christmas Day Mass:**

11:00am

**Mary, Mother of God Masses:**

December 31st—5:00pm

January 1st—11:00am



### RESURRECTION CHOIR

The Resurrection Choir is seeking new members to join them in their ministry to families at a time of death. Most funerals are held in the morning. There are no auditions and the ability to read music is not required. If you love to sing, please submit your name and contact info at the Concierge Desk or at the parish office (306) 659-5800

### SCHOOL ADVENT CONCERTS

Join the young people from our parish schools in getting prepared for the coming of the Lord by attending any or all of the school Advent concerts taking place at the Cathedral of the Holy Family. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Monday, December 14 at 6:30 pm - Fr. Robinson School  
Tuesday, December 15 at 6:30 pm - St. Volodymyr School  
Wednesday, December 16 at 6:30 pm - Cardinal Leger School  
Thursday, December 17 at 6:30 pm - Mother Teresa School

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

<b>Mon Dec 14th</b>	Fr. Robinson Christmas Concert Knight of Columbus	6:30pm 7:00pm
<b>Tue Dec 15th</b>	Mom's Morning Out Mass (+Rita Fernando) St. Volodymyr Christmas Concert	9:30am 12:15pm 6:30pm
<b>Wed Dec 16th</b>	Mass (+Joshua Crooks) Spirings of Living Water Cardinal Leger Christmas Concert	12:15pm 7:30pm 6:30pm
<b>Thurs Dec 17th</b>	Craft Guild Small Christian Community Prayer Mass (+Fred Reinbolt) Golden Age Adoration Mother Teresa Christmas Concert	9:00am 10:00am 12:15pm 1:00pm 7:00pm 6:30pm
<b>Fri Dec 18th</b>	Fr. Robinson Advent Mass (Audrey Haidenger) Sherbrooke (+Carl Roth) Mass (Jim De Vries)	10:00am 10:00am 12:15pm
<b>Sat Dec 19th</b>	Reconciliation	10:00am

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE – DECEMBER 20TH, 2015

MINISTRY	9:00 AM	11:30 AM	6:30 PM
<b>Coordinator</b>	Joe B	Lillian R	Gerard O
<b>Greeters</b>	Rob F      Elaine B Reb M      Eileen M	Dennis B      Joanne D Paige K      Taylor R	Lynn O Charmielaine P
<b>Ushers</b>	Glen B      Donna B Cecilia G      Denis S	Anna L      Gary L Darryl B      Allan R	Joise G Orin G
<b>Concierge Desk Minister</b>	Tanya C	Mary D	Kim P
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Doreen C Marc M Clara L Zachary M	Judy G Ally R Tristan W Alexis W	Fay S Claire S
<b>Commentator</b>	Rosalie L	Alec R	Blaise K
<b>Lectors</b>	Lise M Ken M	Gil W	Lee O Leah P
<b>Extra Ordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Kevin L      Martine B Dave B      Emmanuel C Ella H      Evelyne D Michael C      Don K Anita P      Francois R Cathy L      Roland L Justin R      Doris S Lee S      Lyle M	Jean F      Brian R Arielle P      Julianne M Mike M      Linda M Karen C      Aline F Dana R      Lillian R Jeff W      Alicia Z Colleen G      Larry G	Fay S Doug S Cathy S Lynn O Wayne S Doris S Valerie O Ramona B
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Sonia C      Melissa E Jenna E	Jean B      Mandy W Gale C	Brittany H Erin M

### Year to Date Cash Flow - October 31st, 2015

Sunday Collections (Pre-Authorized Giving Included)	\$ 621,903
Loose Collections	61,297
Other Revenue	388,293
Less: Expenses	961,709
Less: Mortgage Payments (Principal & Interest)	\$ 116,911
Deficit	(\$ 7,127)

Remaining Debt as of October 31st, 2015: \$3,217,547

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

**Christian Initiation (RCIA):** 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 4th/5th, 2016 Call Patrick 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	Nolan Barnes
Tim Dychko	John Kuzyk
Margaret Afseth	Kate Gardner
Dale White	Mary Martinez
Pat Albers	Allan Ecker
Kayden Kot	Karen German
Megan Lester	Cheryl Crofford
Jim Kozmyk	Bill Carreiro
Preston Dyck	Ron Ecker
Carl Schlosser	Fr. Les Paquin
David Casavant	Lambert Schneider
Filomena Santoro	

### Recently Deceased

### Stewardship Corner

*Today's Gospel provides a blueprint for good stewardship: 'Let the man who has two coats give to him who has none.*

*The man who has food should do the same.'*

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# Diocesan Bulletin

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Sunday, Dec. 13, 2015, Third Sunday of Advent

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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

**Christmas Novena - Simbang Gabi** is a nine-day series of Masses in anticipation of Christmas, and to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary, held daily from Dec. 15 to Dec. 23 at various churches in Saskatoon, organized by the Filipino Catholic community (includes pot luck after each Mass). Dates:

- 7 p.m. **Dec. 15 at St. Augustine**, 602 Boychuk Drive
- 7 p.m. **Dec. 16 at St. Peter**, 1121 Northumberland Ave.
- 7 p.m. **Dec. 17 at St. Mary**, 211 Avenue 0. South
- 7 p.m. **Dec. 18 at Holy Spirit**, 114 Kingsmere Place
- 7 p.m. **Dec. 19 at St. Patrick**, 3339 Centennial Drive
- 5 p.m. **Dec. 20 at St. Paul Cathedral**, 720 Spadina Cres.
- 7 p.m. **Dec. 21 at St. Philip Neri**, 1902 Munroe Avenue
- 7 p.m. **Dec. 22 at St. Anne**, 217 Lenore Drive
- 7 p.m. **Dec. 23 at St. Patrick**, 3339 Centennial Drive

**Engage Difference: Deepening Understanding for Intercultural Ministry** will be offered in Saskatoon: **Jan. 25-29**. The 5-day program focuses on faith, heart, mind and skills for the art of intercultural ministry. Open to anyone who is interested. Bursaries available. **Registration deadline is Dec. 28**. Information and registration at: [www.ccforum.ca/duim](http://www.ccforum.ca/duim)

**Stop The Human Trafficking Plague** - join Soroptimist International of Saskatoon for an eye-opening evening with anti-trafficking activist Joy Smith on **Monday, Jan. 11**. Doors open 6:30 p.m., with the presentation at 7 p.m. at the Broadway Theatre, 715 Broadway Avenue, Saskatoon. Admission is by donation. Soroptimist International is a global volunteer movement working to transform the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. Financial support for the event would be much appreciated. Contact Laura at (306) 931-6790 for information.

**Opening Our Hearts – Responding to the issue of Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls:** Four sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings in the New Year, facilitated by MaryAnne Morrison, a member of the Diocesan Council of Truth and Reconciliation (DCTR). The sessions will be held in two locations, opening 7 p.m. **Wednesday, Jan. 13** with “*Examining the Issues*”; and continuing 7 p.m. **Jan. 26** with “*The Blanket Exercise*” – both held at Grace-Westminster United Church, 505-10th Street, Saskatoon. “*History*” will be the topic 7 p.m. **Feb. 17** at Wildwood Mennonite Church, 1502 Acadia Drive, Saskatoon, and “*Making a Plan*” is the title of the final session 7 p.m., Wednesday, **March 2**, also held at Wildwood Mennonite Church. Attendance is by donation; coffee will be provided.

**The Hymns of Leonard Cohen:**  
*A Rabbi and a Bishop Walk into a Concert*

**7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14**  
Congregation Agudas Israel  
715 McKinnon Avenue, Saskatoon

Join friends Rabbi Claudio Jodorkovsky of Congregation Agudas Israel and Bishop Donald Bolen of the Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon as they reflect upon the Jewish and Christian imagery found in so many of Leonard Cohen's songs. Free admission. Refreshments will follow. Everyone welcome!

**Comedy and Laughter with Don Burnstick** - Join the fun at 6:30 p.m. **Thursday, Jan. 21** at the Roxy Theatre, 320-20th Street West in Saskatoon, with proceeds going to Our Lady of Guadalupe Aboriginal Roman Catholic Parish Building Fund. A member of the Alexander First Nation located outside of Edmonton, Don Burnstick is the youngest of 15 children, and he has established himself as one of Canada's best comedians. Tickets: \$25. Call Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish at (306) 653-4945 or Debbie Ledoux at (306) 220-6855.

**Fundraiser Benefit for Kayden Kot** - A family friendly evening will be held 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. **Saturday, Jan. 23** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, to raise funds for intensive therapies needed by 4-year-old Kayden Kot, who needs to return to the U.S. for treatments. The fund-raising event features a buffet meal with kids menu, program with multi-cultural musical entertainment and kids' activities, as well as a silent auction, 50/50 draw, raffles, cash bar and dessert table. Childcare provided. Cost: \$25/adult; \$10/children under 12. For tickets or info, contact Sylvie at: [smfortier@hotmail.com](mailto:smfortier@hotmail.com) or call/text: (306) 381-8873 or donate through [www.gofundme.com/kaydenkotfund](http://www.gofundme.com/kaydenkotfund) or via the Knights of Columbus at Holy Family Cathedral.

**Honour the Legacy:** Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools invites you to Honour the Legacy of consecrated men and women at a banquet in celebration of the Year of Consecrated Life on **Friday, Jan. 29** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, beginning with Mass 5 p.m.; reception 6 p.m.; dinner 6:30 p.m. Banquet tickets: \$60/person or \$400/table. Prayerfully consider sponsoring tickets to ensure consecrated men and women can attend free of charge. Visit the website <http://bit.ly/YoCLBanquet> for more information. RSVP to Patti at [pseto@gscs.sk.ca](mailto:pseto@gscs.sk.ca) or (306) 659-7002 by Jan. 6.

# Message Board



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**The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** will be celebrated **January 17-24, 2016**, with the theme "*Called to proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord*" (1 Peter 2:9) Materials can be found online at <http://ecumenism.net/wpcu> or contact Nicholas Jesson for information: [jesson@ecumenism.net](mailto:jesson@ecumenism.net) or (306) 659-5814.

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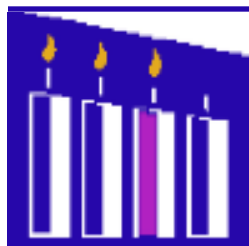
**Parish Marriage Preparation: St. Philip Neri Parish**, 1902 Munroe Ave, Saskatoon will offer a marriage preparation course **Feb. 21-March 13** – register by contacting Shirley Hyshka at [s.hyshka@stphilipneriparish.ca](mailto:s.hyshka@stphilipneriparish.ca) or (306) 343-0325.

**Holy Spirit Parish**, 114 Kingsmere Pl. Saskatoon will offer a marriage preparation course **Feb. 7-March 13** – register by contacting Arch McKay at [agmckay1@sasktel.net](mailto:agmckay1@sasktel.net) or (306) 373-0993. **Holy Family Cathedral Parish**, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, will offer a weekend course **March 4 & 5** – register by contacting Patrick Clarke at (306) 659-5805. (Other marriage preparation opportunities can be found on the diocesan website at: <http://saskatoonrcdiocese.com/marriage-and-family-life> )

**Cathedral Art Calendars** featuring full colour images of artwork at the Cathedral of the Holy Family are available for \$20 after Sunday Masses at Holy Family Cathedral, from the Cathedral parish office or the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, (306) 242-1500, as well as at Universal Church Supplies book store, 437-2nd Ave. N, Saskatoon, and the book store at St. Peter's Abbey, Muenster.

**Magnificat Year of Mercy Companion** – a comprehensive page-a-day booklet to experience and live the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, includes meditations from saints, stories and testimonies, reflections on scripture and other devotions and prayers. Available at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral parish office, 720 Spadina Crescent East, for \$5 each; limited quantities.

**Volunteers needed - L'Arche Saskatoon**, an ecumenical organization supporting individuals with intellectual disabilities, has recently started a creative workshop with a vision of "*Making art, making friends, making peace.*" Those interested in volunteering are asked to contact Wyndham Thiessen at (306) 262-7243 or [wthiessen@larchesaskatoon.org](mailto:wthiessen@larchesaskatoon.org)



**Diocesan Prayer** - We pray as a diocesan family for all who are suffering in any way during this Advent season, experiencing the pain of illness, isolation, grief or depression. May we reach out in love and compassion to walk with those in need.

## Year of Mercy: Opening of Holy Door

Pope Francis launched an Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy on Dec. 8, opening the Holy Doors at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Cathedrals around the world will join in solidarity with Rome by opening their own Doors of Mercy. At the Cathedral of the Holy Family in the diocese of Saskatoon, the great central doors to the worship space will be formally opened as the Doors of Mercy during Mass at

**6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13**

Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon

Visitors to the diocesan Cathedral will be able to enter through the Doors of Mercy during regular cathedral hours, from Dec. 13, 2015 until Nov. 13, 2016.

Jubilee of Mercy website: [www.im.va](http://www.im.va)

**Are you interested in helping newcomers settle in Saskatoon? Saskatoon Open Door Society needs volunteers** for programs and activities, including: conversation circles, mentoring, youth study group, special events, basic settlement assistance (shopping, moving), donation coordination (sorting, distributing), Christmas hampers, welcome hampers. For more information or training dates, see [www.sods.sk.ca](http://www.sods.sk.ca) or contact [communityconnections@sods.sk.ca](mailto:communityconnections@sods.sk.ca)

**Moral Convictions information** – The legalization of euthanasia and assisted suicide puts doctors in a difficult position. Many cannot assist in causing a patient's death because of their professional, moral or ethical commitments. There are plans in place that would make it impossible for these doctors to maintain their integrity on this and other issues. Learn more at [www.moralconvictions.ca](http://www.moralconvictions.ca) or call Myron Rogal at the Office of Justice and Peace (306) 659-5841.

**Employment opportunity:** The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is seeking a full-time Director of Hospital Pastoral Care. Submit letter of application, resume and references (Including a priest reference) by **Dec. 14** to Director of Pastoral Services, Catholic Pastoral Centre, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, or: [codirector@saskatoonrcdiocese.com](mailto:codirector@saskatoonrcdiocese.com) Find more: [www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/employment](http://www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/employment)

### Sunday Smile:

"Never worry about the size of your Christmas tree. In the eyes of children, they are all 30 feet tall." - *Larry Wilde*

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