



July 27, 2025

CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SUMMER BULLETIN



PILGRIMS OF HOPE: FOR WE FORGIVE EVERYONE INDEBTED TO US

Why don't we live happier lives? Why are we forever caught up in frustrations, tensions, angers, and resentments? The reasons of course are too many to name. Each day, as Jesus himself tells us, brings problems enough for the day. We're unhappy for reasons too many to count. And yet it can be helpful to ask ourselves sometimes: Why am I so chronically sitting just outside the gates of happiness?

Our initial answer would probably focus on the tensions in our lives that have to do with tiredness, with our health, with stress in our relationships, stress in our work, and anxieties about security. There's always something! A second reflection would, I suspect, drag up deeper reasons: unacknowledged disappointment with how our lives have turned out, with what our lives have come down to, and with the many dreams we had which were frustrated.

But a still deeper reflection, I believe, would shine a light on something else, something that lies beyond the ordinary stresses and deeper disappointments in our lives. It would, I submit, reveal an underlying, unacknowledged insecurity which works at perennially turning the positive into the negative, has us habitually cursing rather than blessing, and has us projecting a negativity and bitterness right in the God and religion we believe in. What is this insecurity?

This insecurity is, at root, a feeling that we are not sufficiently welcome in this world, that God and the universe are somehow hostile to us, that we are not unconditionally loved and forgiven. And, because of this, we harbor a certain paranoia and hostility towards others. Their energy is a threat to the welcome we desire.

Here's how Thomas Merton diagnoses this. Commenting on the negativity in the politics, churches, and communities of his time, he offers this reason for the bitterness and division: "In the climate which is not that of life and mercy, but of death and condemnation, the personal and collective guilts of men and of groups wrestle with one another in death struggle. Men, tribes, nations, sects, parties set themselves up in forms of existence which are mutual accusations. They thus seek survival and self-affirmation by living demonically, for the demon is the 'accuser of the brethren.' A demonic existence is one which insistently diagnoses what it cannot cure, what it has no desire to cure, what it seeks only to bring to full potency in order that it may cause the death of its victim. Yet this is the temptation which besets the sin-ridden dasein [existential situation] of man, for whom a resentful existence implies the need and decision to accuse and to condemn all other existences."

And, when this is true, Merton submits, "God becomes a tribal totem, a magnification of the self-seeking existent striving to establish its autonomy in its own void. Can such a God be anything but the embodiment of resentments, hatreds, and dreads? It is in the presence of such idols that vindictive and death-dealing orthodoxies flourish. These gods of party and sect, race and nation, are necessarily the gods of war." ... And this can only be remedied "when men [people] realize that they are all debtors, and that the debt is unpayable."

And isn't all of this so true today? How vicious, demonizing, polarizing, and stalemated are our own political processes, churches, and communities! How resentful we all are! How much we have turned our God in the embodiment of our resentments, hatred, and fears! How much we are selling death-dealing orthodoxies as religion! How much our communities and churches are creating their own tribal gods! We all struggle to believe in a God who actually loves everyone and who is not just our own tribal deity.

Our Deepest Insecurities by Fr. Ronald Rolheiser

PARISH NEWS



Here I am, Lord, Send me (Isaiah 6:8) Catholic Women's League has a **Secret Sister program**. It gives us an opportunity to pray for a particular member in our CWL membership for 12 months. The prime purpose is to spiritually bond through PRAYER keeping our identity a secret. We can recognize a birthday or wedding anniversary by sending a card. It is a blessing knowing that we are in someone's prayers. July 28 is **World Day for Grandparents and Elderly** established in 2021 by Pope Francis. It is a day to honour all those whose love, hard work and wisdom have helped younger generations to live and thrive. Celebrate this day by a visit, a call or sending a card to a grandparent or elder. Pray for them. *Romans 2:6 For God will reward every person according to what he has done.*



The Knights of Columbus from Council #8215 here at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, would like to thank you for your support in all the events we are a part of!

I ask that every Knight ask one Catholic Gentlemen to become a Knight, we are the 2nd largest Council in Saskatchewan and we would like all 257 of our members to ask one person to become a Knight and we would be the largest Council! If you are wanting to become a Knight, we will be glad to discuss with you the next steps and if you are thinking about the Knights, we would be glad to discuss with you as well! Please feel free to contact me at koshmanw@gmail.com, if you have any questions. We will not be having any meetings during the summer months, we will have our next General meeting on September 9th, where we will have our installation of officers for our council.

Have a great summer!

Thanks, SIR Grand Knight Wayne Koshman



August 12-14, 2025
Cathedral of the Holy Family
Grades 6-8,
Tuesday - Thursday
1pm - 8:30pm
\$159 / participant
Contact us if price is an issue
Registration and more info at:
facetofaceministries.ca/events/ignite-junior-sk-2025/




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ENCOUNTER
your God
JOIN US FOR
MUSICAL
ADORATION EVERY
THURSDAY!
7-8:30PM

LORETO Room
Available for
Mothers and Babies
Mass is shown on the
monitor

**Hearing Assist
Available
@
The Welcome
Desk**

CATHEDRAL OF THE
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PRESENTS

SUMMER BELOVED

August 1, 2025: Ministry of Care

11AM TESTIMONY + TALK 12:15 MASS

ADORATION
CONFESSION

Hospitality
following
the Mass




DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

St. Philomena Walking Pilgrimage – August 11 to 14

St. Philomena Walking Pilgrimage is a supported walk starting Aug. 11 at St. Mary Church, Yorkton, enroute to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, at Rama, SK for the Aug. 14 pilgrimage.

Rest stops and meals are provided and a trailer carries camping supplies between nightly stops. Pilgrims can join in all of the walk, a few steps, or anything in between. See the website at www.stphilomena.ca, or contact dave@stphilomena.ca



Rama Pilgrimage – August 14 & 15

The Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes is located at St. Anthony Church, 104 – 1st St. North, Rama, SK.

Thursday, Aug. 14:

- 3:00 pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Stations of the Cross
- 4:00 pm – Supper (tickets: 306-593-6120 deadline to book is Aug. 1)

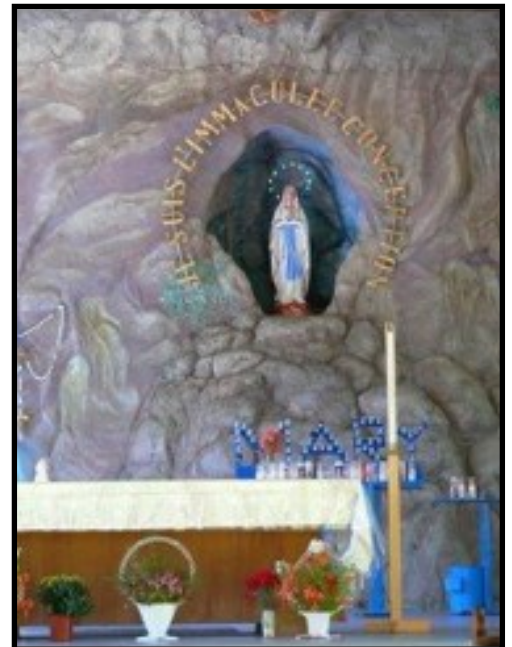
Friday, Aug. 15

- 8:30 am – Morning Prayers
- 9:00 am – Mass in Polish
- 10:00 am – Divine Liturgy in the Byzantine Ukrainian Catholic Rite

St. Laurent – Feast of the Assumption August 15

Friday, Aug. 15 at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, St. Laurent, SK

- 6:30 pm – Examination of conscience and confession at the Grotto
- 7:00 pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy
- 7:30 pm – Marian devotions at the Grotto
- 8:00 pm – Mass with Bishop Stephen Hero presiding
- 9:15 pm – Torchlit procession to the Arch for the blessing, followed by Adoration in the Log Church until 11:00 pm



St. Laurent – Nativity of Mary September 8

Monday, September 8 at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, St. Laurent, SK

- 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm – Confessions at the Grotto / Rosary / Bouquet offering
(bring a rose, or roses available at the candle booth for \$2 each)
- 7:00 pm – Mass with Bishop Stephen Hero presiding
- 8:00 pm – Birthday cake and coffee at the food booth

WEEKLY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass Times

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

Weekday Mass Times

Monday - Saturday: 12:15pm

Wednesdays: No Evening Mass

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*

Financial Secretary - *Linda Bobowski*

Facilities Manager - *Jim Nakoneshny*

Administrative Assistant - *Johanna Fashola*

Pastoral Council Chair - *Jonas Taillon*

Finance Council Chair - *Denis Sirois*

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, July 28

12:15 pm Mass for *Michelle & Jamie Mokry*

Tuesday, July 29

12:15 pm Mass for *+Pope Francis*

Wednesday, July 30

12:15 pm Mass for *Leona Chabot*
No Evening Mass

Thursday, July 31

12:15 pm Mass for *Grasdahl Family*

Mass Intentions next week

Friday, August 1

12:15 pm Mass for *Bev Chomiak*

Saturday, August 2

12:15 pm Mass for *Kevin Kaufmann*

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

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| Kayden Kot | Nori Cheong | +Pius Ojong Okpa |
| Perla Lansangan | Russ Gill | Perry Antosh |
| Zenitha Joppa Atebe | +Toribio Ramos | +Braydon Bretzer |
| Eileen Materi | Ethel Zapatra | + Peter Fashola |
| Rosalind Matchett | Isa Glodoveza | Ben Friske |
| Melissa GO | Jannette Magdugo | |



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. Amen.



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