



October 11, 2026

CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The Holy Rosary awakens us to heavenly realities culminating in the Assumption and Coronation of Our Lady as Queen of Heaven. In the person of Mary, we see that a human creature, sanctified and full of grace coming from the Redeemer, can rise up to heaven, in body

and soul. And if Our Lady can do so then, by the same efficient causality of divine grace, so can we. So the Preface for the Assumption says: “the Virgin Mother of God was assumed into heaven as the beginning and image of your Church’s coming to perfection and a sign of sure hope and comfort to [God’s] pilgrim people”. Indeed, the Glorious Mysteries of the Holy Rosary all point to the end for which every faithful Christian hopes. For in these mysteries we contemplate the promise that is given to us by the Risen Lord, and which Our Lady has already experienced in her own body and soul: it is the promise of our homecoming to God. As St Thomas says: “Christ by once ascending into heaven acquired for Himself and for us in perpetuity the right and worthiness of a heavenly dwelling-place”. Because of Christ, then, heaven is our homeland and we are sojourners in this life on earth.

But lest we think heaven is guaranteed us, even if we were to turn from God and reject his grace through unrepented mortal sin, the Holy Rosary reminds us that heaven is something that we have still to hope for. And we can only hope in something that we do not yet have, something that we are not certain that we possess, and which can be lost. The way the Rosary reminds us of this is in a phrase repeated over and over again: “Pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death”. Why this emphasis on the hour of death? Because it is crucial that we die in the state of grace, that is, that we persevere in friendship with God until the very end. And this final perseverance in grace is not something that we will on our own efforts and merits but which is only given to us by God’s grace. As St Thomas says: we

need “the gratuitous help of God sustaining man in good until the end of life”.

The great Dominican theologian, Garrigou-Lagrange explains, moreover, that following the teaching of the Council of Trent, “we cannot in advance be certain of receiving this gift, but we can and should hope firmly for it, battling against temptation, and working out our salvation by the practice of good works”. When we forget this and take heaven for granted, we no longer struggle but drift through life with what St James would call a dead faith. Hence, as Chesterton put it: “a dead thing can go with the stream, but only a living thing can go against it.” The movement of the fingers as we say the Rosary is thus meant to be deliberate, conscious, and living. This kind of movement, whether through the fingers or by praying the rosary while walking, by focusing on the mysteries of our salvation enables us then to go against the stream of our sinful desires and temptations, and to reach out for heaven.

The Rosary’s repeated cry to the Mother of God, “pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death” is thus a cry for divine help that we will not fall away from God and that we will have the grace of final perseverance. It is a cry of hope and of confident trust in Our Lady who is the Mediatrix of all graces. Moreover, prayer, as Pope Benedict said, is a “school of hope” because it stirs up our desire for grace, for heaven, for salvation. Quoting St Augustine, he says: “[Augustine] defines prayer as an exercise of desire. Man was created for greatness—for God himself; he was created to be filled by God. But his heart is too small for the greatness to which it is destined. It must be stretched. [So] ‘by delaying [his gift], God strengthens our desire; through desire he enlarges our soul and by expanding it he increases its capacity [for receiving him]’.” As prayer, therefore, the Holy Rosary draws us out of ourselves and out towards God; we dare once more to look out on the vista of eternal life.



DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY



CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

ENCOUNTER

your God

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

**SOUL
FOOD**

GRADE 9 TO GRADE 12
FORMATION, ACTIVITY AND SHARING
REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED

REFLECT ON

GODS WORD

"May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord" - Psalm 104:34



OCTOBER 27th - 7-9pm
Bishop Klein Room



HEART2HEART Oct 15th
GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8 Thurs 7pm - 9pm
REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED



Kindergarten to Grade 5
Parents are encouraged
to attend with their
children

**KIDS
4CHRIST**
Kids Club K-G5

Monthly
Sun 3:00 - 4:30pm

Next Gatherings

- Sep 20th
- **Oct 18th**
- Nov 15th
- Dec 13th

Bring your little ones to
a world full of faith, fun
and adventure!

REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED
LOCATION: BISHOP KLEIN ROOM



YOUTH PROGRAMS - OCT TO JAN

**KIDS
4CHRIST**

KG TO GRADE 5
FUN, MUSIC AND ACTIVITY

HEART2HEART

GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8
FAITH, ACTIVITY AND ADORATION

**FACETOFACE
MINISTRIES**

GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8
FAITH, FUN AND MUSIC

**SOUL
FOOD**

GRADE 9 TO GRADE 12
FORMATION, ACTIVITY AND SHARING

**HOLY FAMILY
YOUTH CHOIR**

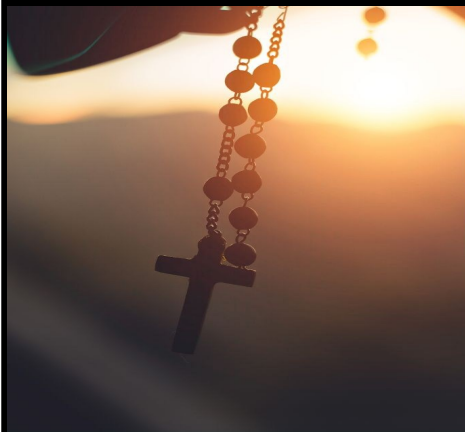
GRADE 6 TO GRADE 12+
FOR MUSICIANS AND SINGERS

OCT 18th	NOV 15th	DEC 13th	JAN 17th	SUN 3 - 4:30PM
OCT 15th	NOV 19th	TUES DEC 8th	JAN 21st	THURS 7-9PM
OCT 1st	NOV 5th	DEC 10th	JAN 7th	THURS 7-9PM
OCT 27th	NOV 24th	DEC 8th	JAN 12th	TUES 7-9PM
Email Conchita for practice dates				WED 6-8PM

TO REGISTER AND GET UPDATES CONTACT

CONCHITA@HOLYFAMILYCATHEDRAL.CA

PARISH NEWS



"REMEMBER THE
PAST WITH
GRATITUDE,
LIVE THE PRESENT
WITH ENTHUSIASM,
LOOK FORWARD TO
THE FUTURE WITH
CONFIDENCE."

-JP II

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

From All of Us @ The Cathedral of the Holy Family

Called and Gifted

Discover Your Charisms!

Saturday, Oct. 17

9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Catholic Pastoral Centre, Saskatoon

An Introductory Workshop for the Called and Gifted discernment process from the Catherine of Siena Institute to reveal the gifts that the Holy Spirit has given each participant to build up the Kingdom of God.

Cost is \$75 (includes lunch and materials.) Register at: <https://form.jotform.com/261529066334256> or contact diocesan

Adult Faith coordinator Astrid Alas for information:

(306) 659-5858 or amalas@rcdos.ca.

(Supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal)

Bishop's Annual Appeal

"Called to Respond: Living the Father's Will"

Find this year's video, information, and online giving at:

dscf.ca/baa

Featured Ministry - Rural Catechesis

The Appeal supports catechesis in parishes, ensuring that faith remains vibrant in rural communities.

Supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, the **Rural Catechesis Office** focuses on catechist formation for rural parishes (online and in-person);

providing parishes with support for children's catechesis and sacramental preparation; strengthening RCIA for adults who are joining the Church; and developing programs that support rural parish life.

Bishop's
ANNUAL APPEAL



Bishop's Annual Appeal - Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, SK, S7S 1H1
<https://dscf.ca/baa> / admin@dscf.ca / (306) 659-5851



HOPE is the essence we hold onto during times of adversity and is the beacon of light in the darkness. Anyone seeking refuge and hope can find it in the Catholic Women's League. Members find hope in one another. Join us and be a woman of hope.

- All women of the parish 16 years old and older are welcome to join us at our next meeting on October 14, 2026 at 7:00 pm. Guest speaker Lynn Chotowetz from Sons and Daughters. Come and experience the fellowship of the CWL - no pressure, no need to join, just come.
- October is the month of Mary. Thank you to Connie McGrath for distributing Rosary pamphlets at the Masses October 4, 2026.
- October 11 is International Day of the Girl Child the theme is "End child marriage and invest in girls' rights." Pray for: protecting girls' freedoms, and increasing investments in education, health, and legal protections.

All enquiries can be sent to cofhfewl@gmail.com

FALL CONGRESS Preparing the Way: The Church's Mission for 2033 Recent statistics highlight a growing trend in the number of people joining the Catholic Church worldwide. Are we equipped to make disciples in the Diocese of Saskatoon? Join us for Fall Congress to hear practical ways we can live out these days of grace leading up to the Great Jubilee. Brett Powell, CEO of Divine Renovation, and Eric Myatt, Executive Director of Divine Renovation will be our guests. **Date: October 14, 2026 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at The Cathedral of the Holy Family.**

Final Call to Register!

First Communion

(age 7+)



Confirmation

(age 11+)



Step 1 - Register:

hfsacraments.ca



Step 2 - Parent Information Sessions at the cathedral (attend any one; approx. 45 mins):

- Sunday, October 4 @ 1:30 PM

Step 3 - Monthly Family/Children Preparation Sessions:

- First Communion: Sundays from 10:10-10:50 AM, roughly once/month.
- Confirmation: possibly the choice of Tuesdays (7-8 PM) or Thursdays (5:30-6:30 PM), roughly once/month.



CATECHISM & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

7 LIFE-CHANGING REASONS TO PRAY THE ROSARY EVERY DAY

The Holy Rosary is one of the greatest spiritual treasures of the Catholic Church. Through this simple yet powerful prayer, we meditate on the life of Jesus Christ with the Blessed Virgin Mary. Making the Rosary a daily habit can transform your spiritual life.

1. TO ARM OURSELVES AGAINST DAILY TEMPTATION

The Rosary strengthens us in spiritual struggles, helps us turn away from sin, and inspires us to grow in virtue.

2. TO SLOW DOWN AND FIND INNER PEACE

Amid life's worries and distractions, the Rosary quiets our hearts and reminds us to trust in God's loving providence.

3. TO LIVE IN DEEPER UNION WITH JESUS CHRIST

Every mystery leads us to Christ. We contemplate His life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection, and come to know Christ more deeply and follow His example.

4. TO SEEK OUR BLESSED MOTHER'S INTERCESSION

Mary lovingly intercedes for us and leads us to her Son, encouraging us to remain faithful to Him throughout life's journey.

5. TO PRAY FOR OTHERS

Offering the Rosary for our families, the sick, the suffering, and the whole world becomes a beautiful act of love and spiritual solidarity.

6. TO BECOME INSTRUMENTS OF TRUE PEACE

The Rosary calls us to conversion of heart, forgiveness, and reconciliation, helping us bring Christ's peace into our families and communities.

7. TO GROW IN PRAYER

When words fail or faith feels weak, the Rosary helps us persevere in prayer and remain close to God through every season of life.

REMEMBER: The Rosary is more than the repetition of prayers; it is a meditation on the mysteries of our salvation, with Mary guiding us to Jesus. Pray it faithfully each day, and allow it to transform your heart and draw ever closer to Jesus Christ.

"Pray without ceasing." — 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Sunday Mass Times	Reconciliation	Eucharistic Adoration:
Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am, & 6:30pm	Thursday: 7pm - 8:30pm	Musical Adoration: Every Thursday 7pm - 8:30pm
Weekday Mass Times	Friday: 11am - 12noon	1st Friday: SUMMER BELOVED 11am - 12:15pm
Monday - Saturday: 12:15pm	Saturday: 11am - 12noon	Rosary & Devotion to Our Lady of
Wednesdays: 7:00pm	<i>(If you are unable to attend regular Reconciliation times, please phone the office to make an appointment: 306-659-5800)</i>	Perpetual Help: Wednesdays @ 6:30pm
Mass @ Sherbrooke: Fridays at 10:15am		Rosary: Saturday 11:45am - 12noon

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 - *Regene Sumalinog*
 Pastoral Council Chair - *Margarett Prado*
 Finance Council Chair - *Denis Sirois*

Contact us!

Baptism (Infants): andy@holyfamilycathedral.ca
 Christian Initiation (RCIA): andy@holyfamilycathedral.ca
 Confirmation & First Eucharist: hfsacraments.ca
 Covenant of Care: Parish Office: 306-659-5800
 Marriage: gcooper@rcdos.ca
 Reconciliation by appointment: info@holyfamilycathedral.ca
 Communion to Homebound: info@holyfamilycathedral.ca
 Facility Rentals: jim@holyfamilycathedral.ca

Mass Intentions next week

Monday, Oct 12

12:15 pm Mass for *†August "Gus" Sander*

Tuesday, Oct 13

12:15 pm Mass for *(Special Intention)*

Wednesday, Oct 14

12:15 pm Mass for *Dean Clark*

7:00 pm Mass for *†Cesar Flores*

Mass Intentions next week

Thursday, Oct 15

12:15 pm Mass for *†Fely Fredeluces*

Friday, Oct 16

12:15 pm Mass for *†Valerie Vilar*
 10:15 am Mass @ Sherbrooke for
†Brenda Zolinsky

Saturday, Oct 17

12:15 pm Mass for *Shamila Samuels*

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	Eileen Materi	Hyacinth Fonseca	Zenitha Joppa Atebe
†Pius Ojong Okpa	Rosalind Matchett	Isa Glodoveza	Lucas Hilderman
†Braydon Bretzer	Melissa Go	Pilar Glodoveza	Jackie Hilderman
†Peter Fashola	Nori Cheong	Joelle Buckle	Robert Huebert
†Cesar Flores	Russ Gill	†Sophie Irlbeck	Vivian Krogstad
†Anthony Ifejilimalu	Rose Friske	Sharon Therens	Maryan Principe &
†Austin Gerein	Ben Friske	Jannette Magdugo	Family



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We are Holy Family

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