



Diocesan Bulletin

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Sunday, Dec. 10, 2017 - Second 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

Marriage Movie Night at STM - 'Extraordinary' is a movie based on a true marriage journey, which will be shown at St. Thomas More College Auditorium, 1437 College Dr., Saskatoon at 7 p.m., **Monday, Dec. 11**. Tickets are on sale now: \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door; available at St. Thomas More College Auditorium, by phone 1-800-965-9324 or online at www.itickets.com/extraordinary or for info call (306) 966-8931.

Noon Festival of Carols will be held at TCU Place, 22nd Street, Saskatoon's Arts & Convention Centre, Grand Regal, Dec. 11 to 14. Bring lunch or purchase on site. Free admission.

Men's Breakfast at Queen's House - The Knights of Columbus Brothers Keeper Men's Breakfast will be held 7 a.m. **Tuesday, Dec. 12** with prayer and reflection followed by breakfast, \$10, 601 Taylor St. W., Saskatoon; (306) 242-1916.

Christmas Novena

The Filipino Catholic Community of Saskatoon invites all to participate in "Simbang Gabi"

A Novena of Masses leading up to Christmas.
(Please note that there is a pot luck after every Mass.)

- 7 p.m. **Friday, Dec. 15** at Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Saturday, Dec. 16** at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon
- 5 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 17** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent, Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Monday, Dec. 18** at St. Mary Parish, 211 Avenue O South, Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Tuesday, Dec. 19** at St. Joseph Parish 535-8th St. East, Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Wednesday, Dec. 20** at St. Peter Parish, 1121 Northumberland Ave., Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Thursday, Dec. 21** at St. Francis Parish, 222 Willow Street (corner of Hilliard Street and Melrose Avenue), Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Friday, Dec. 22** at St. Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon
- 7 p.m. **Saturday, Dec. 23** at St. Patrick Parish, 3339 Centennial Drive, Saskatoon

The Church in the North

Archbishop Murray Chatlain of Keewatin Le-Pas will share experiences of life and ministry in the North

7:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11

Father Donlevy Hall, St. Anne's Parish
217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon

Presentations, refreshments and conversation.
Everyone is welcome!

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle consists of adoration, the rosary, benediction, hymns and various other prayers at 3 pm. **Wednesday, Dec. 13** at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent, Saskatoon.

A Christmas Musical Evening will be presented 7:30 p.m., Thursday **Dec. 14** at St. Thomas More College Chapel, 1437 College Dr., Saskatoon, featuring soloists, musical groups and tenor Michael Harris; a reception will follow.

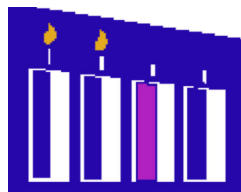
Stations of the Nativity - An evening of prayer and reflection accompanied by devotional music 7 p.m. **Friday, Dec. 15** at St. Augustine Parish, 602 Boychuk Drive, Saskatoon. Bring the whole family to savor a moment of calm in the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season. There is no cost for this event!

Advent Penitential Services/ Confession in Saskatoon:

- **6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11** at St. Peter the Apostle, 1121 Northumberland Ave (followed by parish mission).
- **7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13** at St. John Bosco, 1202 Avenue O South.
- **7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13** at Sts. Martyrs Canadiens - la paroisse catholique francophone, 1007 rue Windsor.
- **7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 15** at St. Anne, 217 Lenore Drive.
- **7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19** at St. Augustine, 602 Boychuk Dr.
- **7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20** at Holy Spirit, 114 Kingsmere Pl.
- **Confession from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23** at St. Joseph, 535-8th Street East (at Broadway Avenue).

Watch the diocesan website at www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com for updates, and for info about Christmas season celebrations.

Diocesan Prayer - We pray as a diocesan family for our Indigenous sisters and brothers across Canada, throughout our province and in our diocese – and for Our Lady of Guadalupe parish in Saskatoon. As we celebrate the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples on Dec.12, we ask our Lord Jesus Christ to lead us in walking together on a journey of justice, reconciliation and wholeness.



Message Board

Support for Catholic education - Help ensure Catholic education is available to all who choose it, no matter the reason, for future generations. The Catholic Bishops of Saskatchewan recently wrote a letter encouraging support for the *Schools You Can Believe In* fundraising campaign to cover the costs of appealing the Theodore court decision. That court decision would deny funding for non-Catholic students attending Catholic schools. The Government of Saskatchewan has invoked the notwithstanding clause to continue funding for all children whose parents choose Catholic education, but a permanent reversal of the decision through the appeals process is needed – the case will likely go to the Supreme Court of Canada. Donate to support the legal appeal of the Theodore court-case ruling to protect funding for all who choose Catholic faith-based education. Donate online at <https://foundation.gscs.ca> or make your cheque payable to Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation (write "Theodore" in the memo) and drop it off at your local Catholic school or deliver/send it to 420-22nd Street East, Saskatoon SK S7K 1X3.

Catholic Education – Schools You Can Believe In: "Just as you did it to the least of these..." *Matthew 25:40*. St. Joseph Catholic high school students collected over 21,000 pounds of food for the Saskatoon Food Bank and Learning Centre this past Halloween — the most among the many schools that are helping feed the hungry. Catholic education makes a difference in your community.

Employment Opportunity - Coordinator of Evangelization and Catechetics (*37.5 hours per week*). The Evangelization and Catechetics office in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is a consultative resource to pastors and catechists in their ministry of sacramental preparation, RCIA, and other faith-nurturing offerings with a particular focus on rural parishes and parishes depending solely on volunteers, providing support to parish leadership in the delivery of catechetical and initiation processes that are deeply informed by the New Evangelization. Find more details, including requirements and how to apply, at: www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/employment or for more info contact Patrick Clarke, Human Resources Manager at hr@saskatoonrcdiocese.com or (306) 659-5835. **Deadline to apply is midnight, Dec. 11.** Start date is Jan. 2, 2018.

Catechists needed - St. Paul's Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon, is seeking an **experienced RCIA catechist** for 2018, to organize and implement the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults with help from volunteers. St. Paul's is also seeking **experienced catechists for pre-sacramental instruction** in 2018 (Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation). Catechists will organize and implement these programs with the help of volunteers. These will be a contractual position for the duration of the programs. Apply by sending resume to St. Paul's Co-Cathedral Parish by e-mail: stpaulsparish@shaw.ca or for more information call (306) 652-0033. **Closing date is Dec. 20, 2017.**

St. Angela Merici Residence senior's care home on Cree Crescent in Saskatoon is seeking a part-time **Activities Coordinator** and a part-time **Administrative Assistant**. For more details about these employment opportunities see: www.saskatoonrcdiocese.com/employment



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CWL Clothing Depot

619-20th Street W., Saskatoon

Donations for Christmas Sale

The non-profit **CWL Clothing Depot** is **seeking donations of new items** for its annual Christmas sale. Needed items include toys, socks, underwear, gloves, toques, sheets, comforters, towels, jewelry, health and beauty products, or individually wrapped candy.

Donations help those who are struggling to make ends meet in our city, giving them a joyous chance to shop for Christmas gifts for their loved ones.

Parents can choose a toy at an affordable price, enjoying the freedom and dignity of making their own purchase, while children with only a few coins can buy a gift for mom or dad. The sale runs until Dec. 23.

Items can be dropped off from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday to Friday, or arrange for pickup by calling (306) 242-5042.

The CWL Clothing Depot also accepts used clothing and household gifts for their store located on the lower level of Saskatoon Friendship Inn at 619-20th Street West.

Volunteers are also needed – inquire at (306) 242-5042.

Catholic Hospital Chaplaincy continues - For spiritual care at Saskatoon City or Royal University Hospitals contact Jackie Saretsky at (306) 659-5839 or (306) 292-5531 or e-mail: hospitalchaplaincy@saskatoonrcdiocese.com **For spiritual or pastoral care at St. Paul's Hospital** ask at the nursing desk, or call (306) 655-5000 to page Spiritual Care. (Hospital Chaplaincy is one of the ministries supported by your gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

Bishop's Annual Appeal Update - Gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal continue to come in. To date the total received is \$1,249,869 or about 79 per cent of our diocesan goal of \$1.575 million. There is still time to donate before the Dec. 31 tax receipt deadline for 2017. Pledge forms are available at your parish, and gifts can be made by cash, cheque, credit card or direct debit. You can give online on the Catholic Foundation website at www.dscatholicfoundation.ca Thank you for letting the light of Christ shine for those most in need! For more information contact Cathy Gilje, Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation, cgilje@dscatholicfoundation.ca or (306) 659-5851.

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