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Dec. 22, 2024 - Fourth 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

Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope – Pope Francis will open the Jubilee Year on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 2024. In the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, Bishop Mark Hagemoen will launch the Jubilee Year with celebration of the Eucharist on the Feast of the Holy Family at 5 p.m. **Saturday, Dec. 28** at Holy Spirit Church, 114 Kingsmere Place in Saskatoon. In cathedrals around the world, there will be special Jubilee 2025 Masses celebrated on Sunday, Dec. 29. Both the Cathedral of the Holy Family and St. Paul Co-Cathedral will mark the opening of Jubilee 2025 with special prayers on that Sunday – all are welcome to attend. Find links to resources and information about Jubilee 2025 at rcdos.ca/jubilee-2025.

“New Year, Same God” – The African Canadian Catholic Community in Saskatoon presents Crossover Night on New Year's Eve **Dec. 31** with confessions at 9 p.m., along with Eucharistic Adoration, followed by Mass at 10 p.m., held at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon.

Catholic Marriage Preparation – Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Martensville, SK, presents a Marriage Preparation Course for engaged couples, to be held Thursdays in the New Year, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Warman, SK, starting **Jan. 9** and running weekly until Feb. 13. Registration deadline is Friday, Jan. 3. For more information or registration, contact Bev Demmert at (306) 519-0480.

“Developing Disciples of Christ” – Free Catechist workshop **Wednesday, Jan. 15** from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. via Zoom. Effectively catechize in a way that advances the Church's primary mission to evangelize. Pre-registration is required at <https://form.jotform.com/243445309486261> or contact Marilyn Jackson at (306) 659-5836.

“Here Comes Nicea” – The 2025 De Margerie Series for Christian Reconciliation and Unity will be held both in-person and via livestream, with lecturer. Rev. Dr. Sandra Beardsall of the United Church of Canada, Wednesday, Jan. 22 at St. Thomas More College in Saskatoon and Thursday, Jan. 23 at Campion College in Regina. For more information contact the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism at (306) 653-1633 or admin@pcecumenism.ca.

“The people that walked
in darkness have seen
a great light...” *Isaiah 9:2*



Find Catholic Mass
times posted at
rcdos.ca/christmas

Come Let Us Adore Him!

Christmas Mass Times

Bishop Mark Hagemoen's Message for Christmas 2024
can be viewed on the diocesan website as of Dec. 22:
rcdos.ca

Submitted parish schedules are posted at:
rcdos.ca/christmas

Live-stream video of Mass from several parishes at:
saskatoonmass.com

Diocesan Prayer - Lord, you were once a refugee as the small child from the manger, fleeing to Egypt, and so we pray as a diocesan family for all those in our world who are fleeing persecution, war, adversity, and hopelessness as refugees in our world.



International Day of Migrants Dec. 18,

Message Board

An annual Knights of Columbus Carol Festival video featuring students from 16 Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools is now available on the school division website at www.gscs.ca/_ci/p/21625. Shaw Cable also has airdates scheduled for the video (more dates may be added in the future): Dec. 22 at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.; Dec. 23 at 12 p.m.; Dec. 24 at 10:30 a.m.; and Dec. 26 at 12 p.m.

Rebuilding Catholic Culture Dessert Night: "From Tao to Now: Logos, Light, and Eikon" with Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw at Rebuilding Catholic Culture's 8th Annual Dessert Night and Talk 7 p.m. **Friday, Jan. 10** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 12th St. and Wiggins Ave., Saskatoon (doors open at 6:30 p.m.). Fr. Gregory is a priest and hieromonk of the Saskatoon Eparchy and founder of the Hermitage of the Three Holy Hierarchs; he is also a theologian, teacher, retreat leader, and well-known speaker. The talk will be followed by Catholic Culture's cheesecake and brownie bar. This is a free event (there will be an opportunity to make a free will offering). Space is limited: RSVP by contacting Celene Sidloski at (306) 715-1541 or e-mail: csidloski@stmcollege.ca.

Canadian Martyrs Relic Tour - Major relics of the Canadian Martyrs, including the skull of St. Jean de Brébeuf and bones of St. Charles Garnier and St. Gabriel Lalemant, will be travelling across Canada for the first time. The relics have resided principally at the National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs in Midland, ON. Also part of the national tour will be a relic of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the first Indigenous North American saint, who was canonized in 2012 and is a beloved patron of the First Nations peoples. The national relic tour begins at the Catholic Christian Outreach "Rise Up" conference in Calgary on New Year's Eve, before continuing across Canada in 2025, including a stop at the **Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon on Jan. 24**: mark your calendars and watch for more details. More about the national tour is posted on the Canadian Martyrs website: <https://martyrs-shrine.com/relic-tour>.

College Reunion - St. Peter's College, Muenster will hold a 100th anniversary celebration and reunion **July 26-27** at the gymnasium at St. Peter's Abbey. All those who have attended St. Peter's College from its earliest days as a high school to today's ongoing affiliation with the University of Saskatchewan are invited to contact: John Kreiser at john.kreiser@sasktel.net for information and registration.

An Annual Report from the **Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation** is available at: dscf.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/2024-Financial-Report-LINKED.pdf.



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Simbang Gabi 2024

The Filipino Catholic tradition of Mass celebrated each day before Christmas continues at four Saskatoon locations:

Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road
6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21 and 7:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23

Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive
7:00 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22 and 7:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23
There will be a potluck meal after each Mass.

St. Patrick Parish, 3339 Centennial Drive
7:00 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22 and 7:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23
Before each Mass there will be a short catechetical talk and there will be refreshments served after each Mass.

St. Peter the Apostle Parish, 1121 Northumberland Avenue
11:00 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 22 and 6:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23

Part-time Pastoral Associate - Holy Spirit Parish in Saskatoon is seeking a Part-time Pastoral Associate (Youth Ministry) responsible for baptism preparation for infants and young children, and to work with Catholic elementary schools. For info, e-mail: info@holyspiritsaskatoon.ca.

Hiring now: Saskatoon Pregnancy Options Centre is seeking to hire a fundraiser. Qualifications and experience in charity fundraising is a requirement of this role, as well as an understanding of pregnancy centre work. Salary is based on experience and qualifications. Saskatoon Pregnancy Options Centre is non-political, faith-based registered charity; the successful individual will need to sign off on the centre's core documents, including statement of faith and sanctity of life statement. For more information and to apply, contact Executive Director Dee Cook at (306) 665-7550 or dee@saskatoonpregnancyoptions.com.

Saskatchewan Pro-Life Association (SPLA) 2025 Memberships are due. If possible, members are asked to renew online (\$25 per year) at www.saskprolife.com or by e-transfer to info@saskprolife.com.

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