



# Diocesan Bulletin

Sept. 3, 2023 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

### African-Canadian Catholic Community monthly Mass

is held at St. Michael Parish, 18-33rd St. E. Saskatoon, with the next celebration at 2 p.m. **Sunday, Sept. 3.** (Mass is in English, featuring liturgical music in many African languages with traditional drums).

**Centring Prayer** – St. Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Dr., Saskatoon will host Centring Prayer 3:15 p.m. **every Wednesday.**

### Knights of Columbus Brothers' Keepers Breakfast

will be held 7 to 8 a.m. **Tuesday, Sept. 12** at Queen's House, 601 Taylor Street West, Saskatoon. Call Brendan Bitz to register: (306) 242-1916, Extension 225.

**Kairos Blanket Exercise** will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. **Tuesday, Sept. 12,** at Bishop Klein School Gym, 1121 Northumberland Avenue, Saskatoon, open to ages 16 and up. The Blanket Exercise is an opportunity to build understanding about our shared history as Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. There is no cost to participate. This event is hosted by St. Peter the Apostle CWL, in collaboration with the Kairos Blanket Exercise Team from Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish (Saskatoon's Indigenous-Métis-First Nations Catholic parish).

**Conquest Boys Club** is a Catholic youth leadership program for boys, with a goal of helping young men become saints. The program has a virtue-based curriculum, is team-based, service-driven, led by high school boys, with physical activities. The program is for boys Grade 3-12 and runs from mid-September to April, held at St. Matthew Elementary School (1508 Arlington Ave., Saskatoon) most Fridays. Registration is **Friday, Sept. 15** from 6:45 to 8:15 pm at St. Matthew School. For more info, see <https://conquestsaskatoon.com/> or contact Daryl Possberg at (306) 290-6677 or [conquest.saskatoon@gmail.com](mailto:conquest.saskatoon@gmail.com).

**Saskatoon Filipino Catholic Community monthly Mass** will be held 5 p.m. **Sunday, Sept. 17** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cr. E., Saskatoon. All are welcome.

**Annual Pilgrimage at the Millennium Pro-Life Cross** will be held 3 p.m. **Sunday Sept. 17** at the cross site 10.8 km northeast of Aberdeen on Highway 41. A living rosary is celebrated along with other prayers. Keynote speaker is Most Rev. Bishop Emeritus John Pazak, CsSR, of Phoenix. Pro-life info tables and free-will offering concession on site. Bring your own rosary and chair. More info: [www.prolifemillenniumcross.ca](http://www.prolifemillenniumcross.ca) (sponsored by the Knights of Columbus).



*Icon of the Sacred Heart 2017  
written by Andre J. Prevost in  
collaboration with Romeo  
Crow Chief of Siksika Nation.*

### Indigenous Pastoral & Lay Leader

### Ministry Education

**Course 4: Introduction to  
Reconciliation: The Church  
and Indigenous Peoples**

**Sept. 26 to Nov. 21**

**4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays**

**Offered online**

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

Cost: \$200 per course (some funding assistance available)

No pre-requisite necessary to take Course 4.

*Those completing all four courses will earn a ministry certificate.*

**Video Introduction and Registration:**

[rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education](http://rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education)

**Growing Together Gala** – Saskatoon Pregnancy Options and Support Centre Annual Gala and Silent Auction will be held **Friday, Sept. 22** — doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:15 p.m. at the World Trade Centre at Prairieland, 503 Ruth Street West, Saskatoon. Reserve your complimentary tickets by Sept. 12 at [www.showpass.com/saskatoon-pregnancy-options-and-support-centre-fundraiser-gala/](http://www.showpass.com/saskatoon-pregnancy-options-and-support-centre-fundraiser-gala/).

**Saskatoon Church Curling League** will be held 8:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Sutherland Curling Club, 141 Jessop Avenue Saskatoon, starting **Sept. 27** through to March 2024. This is a non-competitive, friendly, social, open league that includes various skill levels and ages (beginners and in-experienced curlers are welcome). Join as an individual or as a partial or complete team (men, women, or mixed.). For more information call, text, or message David and Rhonda Kitsch at (306) 230-9771; e-mail: [rdkitsch@sasktel.net](mailto:rdkitsch@sasktel.net).

**"You are My Son" – Catholic Men's Conference** will be held **Sept. 29-30** at Christ the King Parish, 3239 Garnet Street, Regina, SK. Speaker is Paco Gavrilides. Registration \$150, deadline Sept. 15. (After Sept 15, \$200 registration fee.) To register, e-mail [register@made4greatness.ca](mailto:register@made4greatness.ca).

**Rock Your Roots: Walk for Reconciliation** will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 30.** It begins 8 a.m. with a pancake breakfast hosted by CUMFI at 315 Ave M South, Saskatoon, with the walk at 10 a.m. down 20th Street West to Victoria Park. There will be a short program followed by games; ending at 12 p.m.

## Message Board

**From Mourning to Dawn** is a diocesan grief support program for widows and widowers. It is an eight-week journey of transformation and healing, offering support and encouragement for bereaved spouses, led by those who have also experienced this loss. From Mourning to Dawn is open to participants who have been widows or widowers from between two months to two years. **From Mourning to Dawn will again be offered in the diocese starting in mid-September.** Two sessions will be offered – one held at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon and the second held at Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. (The day and time of sessions will be arranged jointly by facilitators and participants.) Cost: \$35. Contact Dianna Knaus: [dknaus@sasktel.net](mailto:dknaus@sasktel.net) or (306) 382-0535.

**Employment opportunity** – St. John Bosco Parish in Saskatoon is seeking a part-time Director of Evangelization. The purpose of this position is to organize spiritual, social, and service events that help people encounter Jesus and walk with Him. The position also includes evangelization and intentional accompaniment through the sacramental preparation programs and the Sunday worship experience. This is a 10-hour-a-week position that begins Oct. 1. To apply, please submit cover letter, resume, and pastoral reference letter (from parish priest or his delegate), to Parish Life Director, Matthew Courchene at [mcourchene@rcdos.ca](mailto:mcourchene@rcdos.ca). The deadline is **Sept. 18** at noon.

**Marriage and Addiction:** Formation and community for Catholic women whose husbands struggle with addiction. For more information, visit [www.womanofstrength.org](http://www.womanofstrength.org).

**Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan (CHAS) 80th Convention** will be held from **Thursday, Oct. 26 to Friday, Oct. 27**. Title: Holistic Care: Healing Through Stories, Spirit and Song, held at Queen's House of Retreat and Renewal, 601 Taylor Street West, Saskatoon, SK. See <https://chassk.ca/> for details, schedule and registration.

**What Matters Most: Living Peacefully, Dying Peacefully** is a retreat at Queen's House in Saskatoon that will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Saturday, Sept. 30** with facilitators Diane Waldbillig and Elaine Zakreski. How can we go from fear to courage, from uncertainty to hope, from loss to abundance, from unrest to ultimate peace? How can we illuminate the path to death and bring healing of spirit and peace to our inevitable transition to the next life? This "day away" will include spiritual talks, mindfulness meditation, and contemplative prayer, along with gentle restorative yoga. No previous experience necessary. Registration deadline: Sept. 28, 2023. Cost: \$80 (includes lunch. Register online at <https://qh.retreatportal.com> or call (306) 242-1916.



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### Development and Peace seeks new diocesan chairperson

Development and Peace – Caritas Canada (DPCC) is looking for a new volunteer diocesan chairperson to help organize members within the diocese of Saskatoon. This could be one chairperson or two co-chairs who would share responsibilities. Development and Peace mobilizes here in Canada so partners can mobilize to save and change lives in the Global South! Please prayerfully consider this role for yourself and anyone else who has a strong dedication to international solidarity.

#### Duties include:

- Presiding over local DPCC meetings (e.g. CORE meetings and Regional Assembly when our diocese's turn comes up) and the overall activities of the diocesan council.
- Receiving updated lists of local DPCC members.
- Endorsing the minutes of Executive Committee, and Annual General Meetings and ensuring their timely distribution.
- Scheduling and planning annual meeting with the bishop.
- Being elected for two-year terms (and can be re-elected)
- Communicating frequently with the Animator, and serving as the liaison for information from the National DPCC office.
- On-going communication with deanery leaders; recruits.

Through it all, you will be supported by Development and Peace staff (Mike LeBlanc is our local Animator), and basically everyone who has ever embraced the mission of Development and Peace: to spread the message of international solidarity around the world and here at home.

If you are curious about this role or know someone who might be a good fit, contact the nomination committee: Joanne Steckler, [stecklerjoanne15@gmail.com](mailto:stecklerjoanne15@gmail.com); Gertrude Rompre, [grompre2@sasktel.net](mailto:grompre2@sasktel.net); Mike LeBlanc, [mleblanc@devp.org](mailto:mleblanc@devp.org) or (306) 205-2334.

**Diocesan Prayer** - We pray as a diocesan family for all those in our communities who educate children, as they begin the annual return to classrooms, schools, campuses, and catechism programs. May all who share knowledge with others follow Jesus the teacher in loving service, grounded in truth and love of God.

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