

DIOCESAN AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 1, 2025

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The bulletin announcements are brought to you from proceeds of the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

Please submit your announcements at least <u>two weeks</u> in advance before the event is supposed to happen. Thank you!

EPISCOPAL

MOST REV. STEPHEN A HERO'S LETTERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS - The links have been fixed.

MOST REV. STEPHEN A HERO'S APPOINTMENT AS THE NEW ARCHBISHOP OF EDMONTON Click to read the Most Rev. Stephen A Hero's letter regarding his appointment as the new archbishop of the Archdiocese of Edmonton in English/French.

MOST REV. STEPHEN A HERO'S NEW 2025-2026 CLERGY APPOINTMENTS AND UPDATES Click to read the Most Rev. Stephen A Hero's new 2025-2026 Clergy Appointments and updates in English/French.

SEDALE ROSILLO TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE ORDINATION

To All the Faithful of the Diocese,

With great joy, I am pleased to announce that Sedale Colonel Rosillo will be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate at 6:00 PM on Monday, December 22 at St. Joseph Parish in Prince Albert.

This will occur during the traditional Filipino novena (Simbang Gabi) before Christmas. A feast will follow in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend.

Sedale spent his pastoral internship year at St. Joseph Parish during 2023 – 2024 and assisted also at the parishes in Duck Lake, Rosthern, Beardy's and Okemasis Cree Nation and the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at St-Laurent-de-Grandin. He is currently completing his final year of theology at St. Joseph Seminary in Edmonton.

Please join me in praying for Sedale as he continues to prepare himself for Ordination to the Diaconate and his commitment to a life of service of God's People. Further details will be sent out for Clergy who wish to concelebrate.

In Christ,

Most. Rev. Stephen A. Hero

CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

https://www.cccb.ca
THE HOLY SEE

Link to Vatican News

LATEST IN VATICAN NEWS

CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF SASKATCHEWAN

Click to download the Saskatchewan Bishops' "Dying with Hope: Living and Walking Together" letter in English/French.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The **2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal** for the RC Diocese of Prince Albert has now begun and runs until December 31, 2025.

The theme for this year's Appeal is **"Planting Seeds of Hope"**. Each year, the Bishop's Annual Appeal invites the faithful to join hearts and hands in supporting the mission of the Diocese.

New! Click here to read a special letter regarding the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

Your generosity strengthens parishes, educates future leaders, and brings hope to those in need.

Thank you for considering a gift to the Diocese of Prince Albert. Your generosity enables us to serve our communities, care for those in need, and accomplish the missions entrusted to us by the Lord.

The Diocesan goal for the 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal is \$475,000. As of December 1, 2025 the amount pledged is \$256,441.00 with 705 donors.

For more information see our website at:

https://www.padiocese.ca/2025-bishop-annual-appeal

or please contact:

306-922-4747 Ext. 233 or Ext. 234

baadirector@padiocese.ca or bishopsappeal@padiocese.ca

Thank you for your prayers and support!!

CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING GUIDE

https://www.padiocese.ca/plannedgiving

For information on Catholic Estate Planning, please follow the above link.

ECUMENISM

https://www.padiocese.ca/ecumenical-commission

EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS (OEC)

catechetics@padiocese.ca

SACRED TABLE ZOOM TRAINING

ZOOM Opportunity to take part in the Diocesan SacredTable Initiative: On <u>Saturday</u>, <u>January 10</u>, from 9:00 a.m. to noon via Zoom, a repeat of the in-person event held on November 15 will occur. The first SacredTable presentation was very well received by catechists of children, youth, and adults, as well as by clergy members who attended. The SacredTable initiative offers training for parish leadership to better accompany parents and provides resources to support parents in their role as the first catechists of their children. The focus of Saturday's event was training parish leadership. Dr. Christine Taylor and two members of the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis Commission shared stories of the fruits they have seen in their ministries since beginning to use the skills taught during the session.

A few takeaways from those who participated:

- * I need to build a relationship with the parents by having conversations with them about where they are in their faith journey.
- * The importance of forming a relationship with parents and making them welcome when they do come.
- * Without first accompaniment and a faith foundation in the family, our efforts yield poor results. Education without formation bears little fruit.
- * Parent accompaniment is Necessary! (emphasis added by participant)
 As some were unable to attend, the SacredTable workshop will be offered via Zoom on Saturday, January 10, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. If you would like to participate in this workshop, please register https://forms.gle/g6hUFZkimNh328Rm7 here.

<u>CATHERINE OF SIENA CALLED AND GIFTED DISCERNMENT PROCESS BROCHURE</u>
Click <u>here</u> to download a printable brochure for the Called and Gifted Discernment Process from the Catherine of Siena Institute.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

https://www.padiocese.ca/indigenous-relations

Click to download the annual 2024 Indigenous Reconciliation Fund report in English/French. Please find a press release from the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF), highlighting a new promotional video, Sacred Fire Stories, which captures inspiring stories of hope from IRF-funded projects, and showcases the real and meaningful impact the IRF is having within Indigenous communities.

English/French

For your information and possible distribution in your diocese/eparchy, please find below the links to the video below:

English: <u>Indigenous Reconciliation Fund – A Catholic Commitment to Healing and Reconciliation</u>

French: Fonds de réconciliation avec les autochtones - Un engagement catholique en faveur de la guérison et de la réconciliation

JUBILEE 2025

For more information about the 2025 Jubilee, please go to https://www.padiocese.ca/2025-jubilee-pilgrims-of-hope

The poster for the Special Pilgrimage Sites for the Jubilee can be found at: https://www.padiocese.ca/2025-jubilee-pilgrims-of-hope

2025 Jubilee: Pilgrims of Hope Diocesan Jubilee Cross-Anchor Information Sheet
As you may have heard, 2025 is the Universal Catholic Church's next Jubilee Year. Each
Diocese is invited to plan ways to bring the Jubilee to life and spread a message of hope.
The Diocesan Jubilee Committee is excited to announce that a Diocesan Jubilee CrossAnchor has been created. Our Diocesan Symbol will travel throughout the Diocese to raise
awareness of the Jubilee and gather personal prayer intentions, which will be offered at the
closing Jubilee celebration at the Cathedral at the end of 2025.

To learn about the tour of our Diocesan Jubilee Cross-Anchor through the Diocese and discover how you can get involved in this pilgrimage, please go to this

link: https://www.padiocese.ca/2025-jubilee-pilgrims-of-hope

Now that the Cross-Anchor has begun visiting our Parishes, schools and other significant places in our parish communities (i.e., senior homes, prisons, etc.), we thought it would be a good for us to share our pictures and stories from these visits. For those who are interested, there is a Facebook group started from our Diocesan Facebook page that pictures may be added, and stories shared. This page is also a place where parishes can share pictures of the ways in which their parish is living as pilgrims of hope in their community.

Some pictures from the Facebook page will be shared on the diocesan website for those parishes or parishioners who do not have access to Facebook and/or used in other diocesan media or the promotion of other diocesan events.

Let us share and inspire each other with the joy we have in being Pilgrims of Hope

Take time now to click here to join the <u>RC Diocese of Prince Albert Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope</u> group and see the pics that have already been posted.

LITURGY

liturgy@padiocese.ca

INVITATION TO SING AT THE DIACONATE ORDINATION OF SEDALE ROSILLO (DEC 22, 2025)

We would like to invite anyone who would like to join a Diocesan Choir on <u>Monday December 22</u> at 6:00pm at St Joseph Parish in Prince Albert for the Ordination to the Diaconate for our seminarian Dale Rosillo.

Please pass on this invitation in your parishes who would like to join the music ministry for this Celebration.

For those joining the Diocesan Choir there will be a run through of all the music at 5:00pm immediately before the Celebration begins.

Please contact Heidi Epp in the Liturgy Office if you are able to participate: liturgy@padiocese.ca

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

Dignity Doesn't Expire.

MAiD is being offered to people who are lonely, disabled, or struggling, even if they have not asked for it or are not dying. **This is putting patients' lives at risk.**

In March 2027, a federal law will come into effect, making MAiD available to patients with mental illnesses.

Write to the Saskatchewan Minister of Health to call for stronger patient & provider safeguards around MAiD in Saskatchewan.

Visit https://www.nooptionsnochoice.com/english/take-action

ONLINE MASS TIMES

<u>Our Lady of Peace Parish, Meadow Lake</u> – Fr. Uche Gabriel Umechikelu, MSP – Mass is live-streamed Sunday at 10:00 a.m. https://www.facebook.com/Catholic-Church-Meadow-Lake-100614168252431/

<u>St. Theresa Parish, Wakaw</u> – Fr. Janusz Bizewski – Mass will be live-streamed December 7, 14, 21 & 28 @ 11:00 a.m.

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=st.+theresa+parish+wakaw https://www.sttheresaparishwakaw.com/home

PASTORAL CARE

The Diocesan webpage for PASTORAL CARE has been updated! https://www.padiocese.ca/pastoral-care

PERMANENT DIACONATE PROGRAM

permanentdiaconate@padiocese.ca

Click here to read the 'Diaconal Joy' article.

For more information, contact Deacon Rick Lucas, Director of the Permanent Diaconate at 1-306-922-4747 ext. 254 or permanentdiaconate@padiocese.ca

RESOURCE CENTRE - Library & Gift Shop

Website: https://www.padiocese.ca/resource-centre

Email: resources@padiocese.ca

The Resource Centre Library and Gift shop

Come and see our selection of Sacramental gifts.

The Resource Centre is open Monday to Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please call 306-922-4747 ext. 229 or email at resources@padiocese.ca and I can assist you in finding resources from the Library and I can be your personal shopper in the Gift Shop. On the Diocesan website https://www.padiocese.ca/resource-centre you can see some of the beautiful gifts we have to offer.

VOCATIONS

THE VOCATIONS COMMISSION

The Vocations Commission would like parishes to promote vocations by putting a Vocation Corner in your weekly bulletin. These can be found at the following link:

https://www.padiocese.ca/vocations-commission

Click here to read the November 2025 Vocations newsletter.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

PRINCE ALBERT DIOCESE, YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 - SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

We are preparing to form a Young Adult Pilgrim Group for World Youth Day 2027, which will take place in Seoul, South Korea.

WYD is an international gathering of young people from around the world and offers a unique opportunity to experience a new culture, meet others from many countries, and take part in a large global celebration. Our group will begin meeting and preparing together starting January 2026.

Young adults who are interested in learning more or would like to be part of the initial information list are invited to contact the Youth and Young Adult Office.

For more information or to express interest:

Email: youth@padiocese.ca
Phone: 306-922-4747 ext. 232

All young adults are welcome to reach out, whether you are simply curious or thinking seriously about attending WYD 2027.

Click <u>here</u> to download/print the poster.

PARISH, SCHOOL, AND GROUP EVENTS

MSP/AMSP ADVENT RETREAT

SATURDAY... DECEMBER 6, 2025...

10:00am - 4:00pm (Registration begins 9:30)

Sainte Rose de Lima Catholic Church, COCHIN, SASK.

Contact Germaine for more information or to Register 306-398-7601

SIMBANG GABI 2025 PRINCE ALBERT

"CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS AWAY FROM HOME, YET EMBRACING THE WARMTH FAITH THAT REMINDS US OF HOME"

The Filipino Community of Prince Albert invites everyone to join in the celebration of Simbang Gabi, a beautiful tradition of nine evening Masses in preparation for Christmas.

St. Joseph Parish Centre at 260 25th Street East

When: December 15 to 23

Time: 7:30 P.M.

Note: December 22 will begin earlier at 6:00 P.M.

Let us come together as one community to express the uniqueness of our Filipino faith and devotion.

Your participation and support - presence and volunteering in the various ministries - are deeply appreciated.

Sign up sheets are available in the parish foyer.

Potluck Supper after the Simbang Mass on December 23rd

ST. MARK PARISH CHRISTMAS MARKET

589 9th Street East

Saturday Nov 29 11:00 - 2:00 PM

- Turkey pies \$6.00 each
- Bake Table
- Rummage Table
- Hot Lunch
- Raffles

Everyone welcome!

OTHER EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCFPA DECEMBER EVENTS

New! *There is one week left to get your tickets in advance at a discounted price for the Holiday Dinner-Show.

- *Saturday, December 6th @ École Valois at 4pm
- *Tickets Available in advance or at the door
- •Adults \$20 Advance (Door \$25)
- •Students \$10 Advance (Door \$15)
- •Children 10 years old and under Free
- *Contact Robbie at coordination@scfpa.ca
- 4pm Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM)
- *Activities for children during the meeting
- *If you are not already a member, you can become one for free, by completing the form.
- *In addition, there are positions to be filled within the Executive Council: President, Vice-President, Treasurer & Secretary, with 1 or 2-year terms.
- 5pm Dinner
- *Traditional French-Canadian meal
- 6pm Madame Diva & Micah!
- *Show for kids!!!
- *Don't miss Micah's show of classic songs, accompanied by beautiful Christmas songs with his guest, Madame Diva!
- *A little sneak peak: https://youtu.be/tkYjhhiLHzA?si=mycdNbT0pMS1 Srr

1 - Saturday, December 6th @ École Valois at 4pm - Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) and Holiday Dinner Show with Madame Diva & Micah!

Traditional French-Canadian meal - Activities for children during the meeting

Extraordinary Meeting 4pm - Dinner 5pm - Show 6pm

Tickets - Available in advance or at the door

Adults - \$20 Advance (Door \$25) Students - \$10 Advance (Door \$15) Children 10 years old and under - Free

2 - Monday, December 29th @ the SCFPA at 1pm - Presentation of a family film, La course des tuques Admission \$5/person - Free popcorn

For more information or to reserve your places, contact Robbie at coordination@scfpa.ca

BEAU "LAC" FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORIUM ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS SERVICE

You, your family and friends are invited to join us to honor loved ones that have passed, By lighting a candle in their memory.

Wednesday, November 26, 2025 7:00pm

Heritage Centre (Across the avenue from the E.A. Rawlinson Centre) 155-12th Street West Prince Albert, SK

For information please call 306-763-3322

Local clergy and musicians participating in the service

Refreshments following Everyone Welcome

Click <u>here</u> to download the poster.

PRINCE ALBERT CATHOLIC SCHOOL DIVISION

Click <u>here</u> to read the "Did You Know?" newsletter for September and October from the Prince Albert Catholic School Division.

CPFIS

https://www.padiocese.ca/cpfis

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

https://www.padiocese.ca/knights-of-columbus

PRO - LIFE COUNCIL

<u>DIOCESE OF PRINCE ALBERT YEAR C SUGGESTED DIGNITY OF LIFE PRAYER INTENTIONS</u> Click to read the Suggested Dignity of Life Prayer Intentions for Year C from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert Life Council in <u>English/French</u>.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net

Are you hurting because of an abortion? Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. To speak to someone confidentially, please contact Elaine at (306) 480 - 8911 or email: r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net

COMMUNICATIONS

DIOCESAN FACEBOOK PAGE AND TWITTER ACCOUNTS

Besides the web page https://www.padiocese.ca/, the Diocese has both a Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/padiocese/ and Twitter account https://twitter.com/padiocese.

In these accounts, we publish pictures, articles, and upcoming events.

To view Upcoming Diocesan Events follow the link, https://www.padiocese.ca/events-calendar.

Thank you so much for sharing these events with your parishioners, teachers and students to help set their hearts on fire. God bless.

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