



DIOCESAN AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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 two weeks in advance before the event is supposed to happen. Thank you!

EPISCOPAL

MOST REV. STEPHEN A HERO'S LETTERS/ANNOUNCEMENT

Click [here](#) to read a Thank you message from the Most Rev. Stephen A Hero. **Please copy and paste the Thank You message into your parish bulletin.**

Click here to read the Most Rev. Stephen A Hero's 2025-2026 Clergy Appointments in [English/French](#).

Click to read the Most Rev. Stephen A Hero's letter regarding the Diocesan Mental Health Ministry in [English/French](#).

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

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)

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FIFTH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

On behalf of the CCCB Standing Committee for Family and Life, I am pleased to share with you a [1-minute promotional video](#) for the fifth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place on **Sunday, 27 July 2025**. The video was filmed in St. John's, Newfoundland, and features a member of the Standing Committee for Family and Life together with her family. The universal Church celebrates this Day every July, on or near the liturgical Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus. This year's theme is "***Blessed are those who have not lost hope***" (cf. Sir 14:2).

- Canadian digital pastoral resources, including various prayers, social media posts, and calls to action for families and parishes, are now available on the updated CCCB webpage. English: <https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/family-and-life/grandparents-and-the-elderly/>
- French: <https://www.cecc.ca/foi-et-questions-morales/famille-et-vie/grands-parents-et-personnes-aiees/>

A press release was issued yesterday on the CCCB website at the following links:

- English: <https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/cccb-publishes-promotional-video-for-the-5th-world-day-for-grandparents-and-the-elderly-2025/>
- French: <https://www.cecc.ca/communiqu-e-de-presse/la-cecc-publie-une-video-promotionnelle-pour-la-5e-journee-mondiale-des-grands-parents-et-des-personnes-agees-2025/>

Additionally, the CCCB received today [the message of the Holy Father](#) on the occasion of the Fifth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, along with [pastoral aids developed by the Vatican](#).

CATHERINE OF SIENA CALLED AND GIFTED DISCERNMENT PROCESS BROCHURE

Click [here](#) 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: [Indigenous Reconciliation Fund – A Catholic Commitment to Healing and Reconciliation](#)

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 Cross-Anchor 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 [RC Diocese of Prince Albert Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope](#) group and see the pics that have already been posted.

LITURGY

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Altar Server Jubilee Event 2025 - the upcoming Altar Server Jubilee Event is on Friday August 15th! This event is being hosted by the Youth, Vocations and Liturgy Commissions on behalf of the Diocese and Bishop Stephen A. Hero. To register for this event please click the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/Altar-Server-Jubilee-event>

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

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

St. Theresa Parish, Wakaw – Fr. Matthew Nguyen – Mass will be live-streamed July 27, 2025 @ 11:00 a.m.

August 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 @ 9:00 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

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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

<https://www.padiocese.ca/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>

PARISH, SCHOOL, AND GROUP EVENTS

R.C. ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH, ST. WALBURG 100th ANNIVERSARY

August 1st, 2nd, and 3rd 2025

We Cordially Invite Everyone to Attend.

EVENTS WILL INCLUDE:

A Special Mass, Tours of Local Interest, a Breakfast, a Barbecue, and a Banquet with Entertainment.

* To assist in our planning (numbers) we request that you call 1(306)248-7216 or 1(306)248-3488 For Registration and Information.

Registration is by Donation During the Event

VOICES OF HOPE: A JUBILEE YEAR COMMUNITY CHOIR EXPERIENCE

Sunday, September 14, 2025

In celebration of the Jubilee Year, *Voices of Hope* is a one-of-a-kind community choir event at Sacred Heart Cathedral that invites **everyone** - no singing experience required-to come together and create something beautiful through music.

Click [here](#) to download the poster.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES SHRINE AT ST. LAURENT

The Our Lady of Lourdes posters for summer 2025 are available on the website at the following link:

<https://www.padiocese.ca/st-laurent-shrine>

OTHER EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONT ST. JOSEPH 26TH ANNUAL GRANDPARENT'S DAY CELEBRATION

It's time to mark you calendars!! And plan to spend the afternoon with us for our 26th Annual Grandparent's Day Celebration on **Sunday, September 14th!!**

The fun kicks off at 2:30pm with our Ball Drop and then just continues from there with Live Entertainment, Fun and Games for the Kids, Face-painting and of course our Free Family BBQ!!

We love putting the 'fun' in fundraisers and this day is no different! If you would like to make your Grandparent's Day donation, cards are now available at the Home! Fill yours out and take a few home for family and friends. See the poster at the following link:

<https://www.padiocese.ca/copy-of-new-articles>

SISTERS OF THE PRESENTATION JOB POSTING AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Click [here](#) to view the Continuing Care Assistant job description.

Click [here](#) to view the volunteer opportunity description.

SAINT PHILOMENA WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Everyone is invited to join us for all or part of the 7th annual Saint Philomena Walking Pilgrimage. This pilgrimage is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Regina and will start on August 11th in Yorkton Sk and finish on August 14th at the Rama Shrine. This is a guided pilgrimage with rest stops, meals, support vehicles, and a trailer carrying tents and sleeping gear to each overnight stop. Mass or Divine Liturgy is celebrated each day. Everyone is welcome to join us for those celebrations – a great way to show support for the pilgrimage and the pilgrims! For more information see our website at stphilomena.ca or phone 306 728 5525.

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES ST. LAURENT SHRINE

Jesus Youth Saskatchewan Invites you to the Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine at St. Laurent (near Duck Lake) on Sunday August 3, 2025. The St. Laurent Shrine is a designated pilgrimage site for the Jubilee Year of Hope. Pilgrims are invited to gather at 2pm. Adoration and Reconciliation will take place in the grotto at 3pm. Mass will take place at 4pm followed by a potluck meal. Those who are interested in attending are invited to register by: Email CONTACT.SK@JESUSYOUTH.CA or Phone (306) 514-0606 or

Weblink <https://forms.gle/4aMRdmqc1Kqj5qWV6>

Click [here](#) to download the poster.

CPFIS

<https://www.padiocese.ca/cpfis>

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

Check out our [WEBSITE](#)

A list of the Winter/Spring programs has been added to our website.

PRO - LIFE COUNCIL

DIOCESE OF PRINCE ALBERT YEAR C SUGGESTED DIGNITY OF LIFE PRAYER INTENTIONS

Click to read the Suggested Dignity of Life Prayer Intentions for Year C from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert Life Council in [English/French](#).

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

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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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