

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

Please submit any bulletin announcements to communications@padiocese.ca

EPISCOPAL

Bishop Ken Thorson, O.M.I. has called Deacon Sedale Rosillo to the Order of Presbyter. Read full letter in English and French at the following link: https://www.padiocese.ca/bishop-thorsons-letters

CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS
https://www.cccb.ca

THE HOLY SEE
Link to Vatican News

DIOCESAN EVENTS

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL
The 2026 Bishop's Annual Appeal has begun, and the theme is *"Love God Deeply, Serve Others Joyfully"*. The goal again this year is $475,000. Sometimes we may feel that our contribution is too small to make a difference. But in the eyes of God, generosity is measured not by the size of the gift, but by the love with which it is given. The Bishop's Annual Appeal is strengthened by the participation of many people offering what they can. When we give together, our combined generosity becomes a powerful force for good. Small gifts help sustain ministries just as surely as large ones. What matters most is that each of us takes part in the mission of our diocese. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. Your gift — whatever its size — is a blessing to our diocesan family and a sign of your commitment to loving God and serving others**. This year receipts will be emailed once donation has been received for those who have given their email address. Tax receipts will be mailed weekly to those donations received and no email address has been given.** For more information on how to donate click on the following link:
https://www.padiocese.ca/donate
For more information please contact:
306-922-4747 Ext. 233 or Ext. 234
baadirector@padiocese.ca or bishopsappeal@padiocese.ca
Thank you for your prayers and support!!

ECUMENISM
https://www.padiocese.ca/ecumenical-commission
Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue: The Feast of Deepavali 2026
Hindus and Christians: forging pathways of peace together in "the spirit of Assisi"
Celebrated Sunday, November 8, 2026
https://www.padiocese.ca/new-articles

EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS (OEC)
catechetics@padiocese.ca
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
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

LITURGY

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2026 YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS RESOURCES
Here is a snip-it of information concerning the current year of St. Francis that Pope Leo has named for 2026:
"While the fruits of grace of the Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025, which has just ended, in which we have all been urged to become pilgrims of that hope that does not disappoint (cf. Rm 5:5), are still present and effective, a new occasion for jubilation and sanctification is added to it as an ideal continuation: the eighth centenary of the happy passing of Saint Francis of Assisi from earthly life to his heavenly homeland (3 October 1226).
In recent years, other important Jubilees have concerned the person and the words of the Saint of Assisi: the eighth centenary of the creation of the first Nativity Scene in Greccio, the composition of the Canticle of the Creatures, hymn to the holy beauty of creation, and the impression of the Holy Stigmata, which took place on Mount Verna, almost a new Calvary, two years before his death. The year 2026 will mark the culmination and fulfilment of all the preceding celebrations: indeed, it will be the Year of Saint Francis and we are all called to become saints in the contemporary world, following the example of the *Seraphic Patriarch*."
For more information please click the following link: https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2026/01/16/260116c.html
Feel free to check out other resources as well that could be encouraged or promoted in your parishes which highlight this special year.

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. Janusz Bizewski – Mass will be live-streamed November 8, 15, 22 & 29 @ 11:00 a.m.
https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=st.+theresa+parish+wakaw
https://www.sttheresaparishwakaw.com/home

PASTORAL CARE
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

PARISH, SCHOOL, AND GROUP EVENTS

BROTHER'S OF ST. JOSEPH MEN'S PRAYER AND STUDY GROUP 2026
Supper 6:00pm Study 6:30pm Adoration 7:30pm Fellowship 8:30pm
Sacred Heart Cathedral
November 20 December 18 Click here to download the poster.

OTHER EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPIRIT RIVER COMMUNITY
Spirit River Community: A Retreat Centre Without Walls
(www.spiritrivercommunity.org) has two events in November:
1. The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Sermon on the Mount: Instructors: Rev. Mitchell Anderson and Rev. Dr. Don Schweitzer
Thursdays, November 5, 12, 19, 26, 2026, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. CST
For more info and to register: https://www.spiritrivercommunity.org/courses/the-un-declaration-on-the-rights-of-indigenous-peoples-and-the-sermon-on-the-mount

2. Burnout and Boundaries in Spiritual Care Professionals
Presenter: Allie Kochert, MA, LPC, CSD
Tuesday, November 17, 2026, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. CST
For more info and to register: https://www.spiritrivercommunity.org/courses/burnout-and-boundaries-in-spiritual-care-professionals-

ST. JOSEPH PARISH - PRINCE ALBERT

St. Joseph Parish in Prince Albert is looking for a casual secretary position. It is for 1/1.25 days per week, possibly more when needed. Applicants need a basic understanding of what happens in a Catholic parish, and basic computer skills. Please send a resume to st.joseph_pa@padiocese.ca by November 2.

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES PRINCE ALBERT

Click here to download a list of programs that Catholic Family Services will be offering in the Fall of 2026.

SOCIETE CANADIENNE-FRANÇAISE DE PRINCE ALBERT (SCFPA)

Living Memories Project 2026 - We are looking for Francophone seniors who wish to share their stories of the community, to preserve our collective memory. Contact us for more information.

CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION YOUTH

CLCY is the youth division of Campaign Life Coalition, Canada's largest pro-life and pro-family organization. Our purpose is to help young people get involved in the pro-life movement through education, activism and political engagement. Click here to download their 2-page poster.

CPFIS

https://www.padiocese.ca/cpfis

CPFIS PROVINCIAL ANIMATION DAY

La journée d'animation provinciale du CPFIS (*Conseil Pastoral Francophone Interdiocésain de la Saskatchewan)*

Article from Catholic Saskatoon News: https://news.rcdos.ca/2025/12/05/la-journee-danimation-provinciale-du-cpfis/

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

The following link is for the Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation - https://saskkofc.foundation/

PRO - LIFE COUNCIL

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

Click to read the Suggested Dignity of Life Prayer Intentions for Year A 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. For more information, please contact Elaine at 1-306-480-8911 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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