




# Diocesan Bulletin

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Feb. 5, 2012

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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

**"Damien"**- A play about the Catholic missionary and saint who devoted his life to ministering to the lepers on the Hawaiian Island of Molokai will be held **2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road at Attridge Drive, Saskatoon. Admission by free will offering; all are welcome.

**Theology on Tap for young adults** age 19 to 35 years, 7 p.m. **Monday, Feb. 6** at Lydia's Pub on Broadway in Saskatoon features Fr. Bob Holmes, CSB, who has travelled around the world with Christian Peacemaker teams, confronting conflict.

**Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Annual Meeting** will be held **7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6** at St. Edward school, 1002 Ave. P North, Saskatoon. Come and learn more about initiatives underway in Catholic schools. For more information contact (306) 659-7077.

**"I Believe" Retreat** - A retreat for youth Grades 9 and up will be held 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Saturday, Feb. 11** at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in Martensville, led by the Diocesan Youth Retreat Team. There is no cost for this day and lunch is included. This is an opportunity for youth to spend a day with others their age, to learn more about and celebrate the faith. For information contact Fr. Iheanyi at the parish office: (306) 931-3111 or Myron at the Catholic Centre: 659-5841; vocations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com

**Valentine's Day Social** - SERENA Saskatchewan, a Natural Family Planning (NFP) service, presents a Valentine's Day Social 6:30 to 9 p.m. **Saturday, Feb. 11** at Our Lady of Lourdes, 1235-12th St. East, Saskatoon. Tickets \$20/person. Contact SERENA at 934-8223, 1-800-667-1637, or sask@serena.ca before **Sunday, Feb. 5**.

**Lover's Dance:** Worldwide Marriage Encounter is hosting their annual Lover's Dance, **Saturday, Feb. 11** at Bishop Klein School, 1121 Norththumberland Ave. Saskatoon. Doors open at 8 p.m. Advanced tickets only: \$35 per couple (includes midnight lunch). Contact: Kevin and Kim Taylor 241-1672 or 382-4549.

**St. Patrick's Quilting Angels Famous Perogie Supper** and quilt sale/auction will be held 6:30 p.m. **Saturday, Feb. 11**. Tickets: Adults \$12, Children 7-12 years \$5; call the parish: (306) 384-1100.

**Station 20 West fundraising Gala Dinner** - The Saskatoon Chefs' Association will host a Gala Dinner **Saturday, Feb. 11** at Prairieland Park in Saskatoon with proceeds going to Station 20 West, the community enterprise centre which will be home to a number of community organizations and needed services in the core neighbourhood, including the Good Food Junction cooperative grocery store. Tickets to the Chefs' Gala Dinner are available at: www.station20west.org

**Centennial Year Performing Arts Showcase** - Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools staff will share their talents 7 p.m. **Monday, Feb. 13** at St. Joseph High School, 110 Nelson Road and Attridge Drive, Saskatoon. A wine and cheese reception will follow (cash bar).

## CONGRESS DAY WITH THE BISHOP

### Diocesan Congress Day

will be held in three locations across the diocese: **Feb. 25 in Saskatoon; March 10 in Humboldt; and March 24 in Kindersley.**

The diocesan Congress Day is an opportunity to meet with the bishop and the leadership of the diocese to discuss issues of importance to all parishes. Parishioners and representatives from deaneries, religious congregations and community groups are invited to attend. There is no fee to participate, but pre-registration is required before the deadline dates, in order to facilitate planning for lunch. All are welcome!

Topics of discussion at this year's Congress Day include:

- Marriage trends and ministry
- Evangelization and the upcoming Year of Faith
- The Truth and Reconciliation Commission about residential schools and the upcoming national event June 21-24 in Saskatoon

At all three locations, Congress Day will conclude with celebration of Mass with Bishop Don Bolen.

**Congress Day in Saskatoon** - 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. **Saturday, Feb. 25** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon (access the cathedral from Attridge Drive at Forestry Farm Park Drive, or from Nelson Road, just north of St. Joseph High School) for Saskatoon City, Saskatoon Rural and Outlook deaneries and parishes. **Register for the Saskatoon event before Friday, Feb. 17** by calling our receptionist, Sharon, at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 242-1500, or toll free: 1-877-661-5005 or e-mail: reception@saskatoonrcdiocese.com

**Congress Day in Humboldt** - 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. **Saturday, March 10** at St. Augustine parish, 809-10th Street, Humboldt, SK. for Humboldt Deanery and Wadena Deanery. **Register for the Humboldt event before Friday, March 2** by calling Marie-Louise at (306) 682-2106 or e-mail staug.marlou@sasktel.net

**Congress Day in Kindersley** - 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. **Saturday, March 24** at St. Joseph parish, 600-4th Avenue West, Kindersley, SK. for Eatonia Deanery and Kerrobert Deanery. (Watch for registration info for the Kindersley day - TBA).

**Foundations:** "Exploring Our Faith Together" diocesan program - **"Marriage and the Gift of Hospitality"** with Madeline and Peter Oliver 7:30 p.m. **Tuesday, Feb. 14** at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in Outlook, SK. Fee: \$5 each, all are welcome. Call Bill Paslawski 306-846-2161 to register.

**Pure Witness Ministries fundraising family dance** will be held **Saturday, Feb. 18**, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at St. Joseph hall in Saskatoon, with live music. Tickets \$12 for ages 13 to adult; \$6 for ages 3 to 12 years; children under 2 are free. Purchase tickets at Universal Church Supplies or call Carmen Marcoux at 651-3465.

# Message Board

**St. Michael's Parish in Cudworth** is looking for 8-10 copies of the *Living in Christ* misselettes February edition. To donate copies, please contact the parish at (306) 256-3484.

**Residential School hearings** – The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC) has started holding community hearings around the province in preparation for a Saskatchewan **national TRC event to be held June 21-24 in Saskatoon**. The hearings will provide an opportunity to share experiences of Residential Schools with the commission, as well as to inform the public about the commission's work and statement gathering process. For more information about the TRC, and to learn more about Indian Residential Schools, and the continuing impact of removing generations of children from their families, communities, language and culture, see the TRC website at: [www.trc.ca](http://www.trc.ca)

**Inmate Art Show** : SCYAP Art Gallery, 252 3rd Ave. N., Saskatoon, will exhibit Saskatoon Correctional Centre inmate art until **Friday, Feb. 10**. The gallery is open Monday to Friday 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday evenings 5:30-9 p.m.; Saturday 1-6 p.m.

**Knights of Columbus Steak Night** will be held **Sunday, Feb. 19** at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral, in Bishop Mahoney Hall. Cocktails at 5 p.m., supper at 6 p.m., with a 50/50 draw and silent auction. Tickets are \$17.50 each and are available at the parish office or by phoning Bart at 384-6856, or Reg at 665-8445 (work), 652-4441 (home).

**Discernment Retreat** - "*Prayer and your Relationship With Christ*" is the theme of this retreat for young, single Catholic men and women, 19 years of age and older, to be held **Friday, Feb. 24 to Sunday, Feb. 26** at Discernment House, 851 University Drive, Saskatoon. Come and explore your baptismal call to follow Jesus Christ, renew your spirit and refresh your soul. To register or for more information, contact: Sr Evelyn or Sr. Lucie at 306-244-0726 or e-mail: [sk.dhouse@gmail.com](mailto:sk.dhouse@gmail.com)

**Foundations**: "Exploring Our Faith Together" diocesan program - "*Theology of Johnny Cash*" with Blake Sittler will be held 7 p.m. **Monday, Feb. 27** at St. Anne parish, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. Fee: \$5 each. Call Sr. Dianne Sehn 931-4700 to register.

**Christopher Leadership** ten-week course in effective speaking begins **Tuesday, Feb. 28**. For more information, or to register, call 955-8980, or check the website: [www.clcsaskatoon.com](http://www.clcsaskatoon.com)

**Introduction to Centering Prayer** - A simple method of Christ-centered silent prayer, centering prayer is a renewal of an ancient Christian contemplative practice, updated for our time, that can lead to a deeper prayer life, personal healing, spiritual transformation, and closer union with God. Fr. Kevin McGee and Marge Copeland will lead an "Introduction to Centering Prayer" workshop from 9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. **Saturday, March 3** at St. Peter the Apostle Parish, Northumberland Avenue, adjacent to Bishop Klein School in Saskatoon. Soup lunch will be provided. Follow-up sessions will also be held Saturday mornings March 10 and 17, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. (approximately). These follow-up sessions build on the information presented at the introductory session. To register call St. Peter the Apostle parish office at 382- 5503. Cost is \$25.

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## Diocesan Mission Opportunities: Northern Manitoba / Tanzania, Africa

The Diocesan Mission Office is sponsoring two upcoming opportunities for mission experience.

• **Mission 1:** Sr. Margaret Sadler needs assistance with a week-long summer program for children in the northern community of **Lynn Lake, Manitoba**. This is an ideal mission experience for a family, a team of three young adults, or for anyone who likes working with youth. An information meeting will be held **7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14** at Queen's House or call Elan at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 242-1500 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005, Ext. 839.

• **Mission 2:** Visit an African mission and assist in serving alongside Joyce and John de Gooijer, former members of the Diocesan Mission Office, currently serving as missionaries with Volunteer International Christian Services (VICS) in **Arusha, Tanzania**. Find out more about the experience of volunteering for a lengthier commitment of mission service. An information meeting about this trip will be held **7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15** at Queen's House in Saskatoon or call Elan at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 242-1500 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005.

**Divine Mercy Conference** will be held at St. Therese Institute in Bruno, SK. **Feb. 23-26**. Call 369-2555 or see: [www.sttherese.ca](http://www.sttherese.ca)

**Differences that Unite: A 21st century exploration of Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry** – A five-week Lenten ecumenical series exploring the doctrinal consensus and convergence on key issues of church life and practice will be held **Mondays from Feb. 27 to March 26** from 7 to 9 p.m. at Mayfair United Church, 902-33rd Street West, Saskatoon. Nick Jesson and Rev. Amanda Currie will explore the significant agreement reached between the churches in the past half century and look to the future. Together with an ecumenical panel, they will discover the faith that we share and the practices and beliefs held in common, as well as seek to understand the differences that make each church tradition unique. This year marks the 30th anniversary of the World Council of Churches' statement on Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry (BEM), which is available online at <http://oikoumene.org/?id=2638> There is no fee for the Lenten series, but donations to support the ministry of the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism are welcome. For information, contact Rev. Amanda Currie at (306) 242-0525 or e-mail: [amanda@standrews-saskatoon.net](mailto:amanda@standrews-saskatoon.net)

**Grief Support Certification** - Dr. Jane Simington from "Taking Flight International" is offering a five day intensive Grief Support Certification Program at Queen's House **March 8 to 12**. For info contact Mona Goodman at 651-1537 or [mmgood@sasktel.net](mailto:mmgood@sasktel.net)

**Diocesan Prayer Intention:** As the Church prepares to mark the World Day of the Sick on February 11, we pray as a diocesan family for all those involved in health care, in pastoral care and in outreach of every kind to those who are sick or suffering, isolated or grieving. May Jesus Christ's healing presence be made visible in the world through their compassionate care.

**Sunday Smile:** Definition of a committee: A group of people who individually can do nothing, but as a group, decide that nothing can be done.