MONDAY, December 23, 2024 St. John of Kanty (OM)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** († *Maryrose John*) 6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group

TUESDAY, December 24, 2024

6:00 pm - Vigil **Mass** 11:00 pm - Vigil **Mass**

WEDNESDAY, December 25, 2024 Nativity of the Lord (S)

10:00 am - Mass with Bishop Mark

THURSDAY, December 26, 2024 St. Stephen (F)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass (SI Suzanne Rieger)** 8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

FRIDAY, December 27, 2024 St. John (F)

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Morris Family) 5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

SATURDAY, December 28, 2024 Holy Innocents (F)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Fernandes Family) 1:00 pm - Open in Spirit to God

SUNDAY, December 29, 2024 Holy Family (F)

8:00 am - **Mass**

10:00 am - Solemn Mass for the Opening of the Jubilee Year of 2025

5:00 pm - Eritrean Choir Practice 7:30 pm - **Solemn Vespers**

8:00 pm - Mass

Christmas Season Masses

Christmas Eve - 6pm & 11pm
Christmas Day - 10am with Bishop Mark
December 31 - 12:10pm (no Vigil Mass)

New Years Day - 10am

December 29—10 a.m. Solemn Opening of the Holy Year



Please note, the parish office will be **closed** from **December 24** - **January 3**

Merry Christmas!

Holy Year Jubilee 2025

Pope Francis will open the Jubilee year on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 2024. Bishop Mark Hagemoen will launch the Jubilee Year with cele-



bration of the Eucharist on the Feast of the Holy Family at **5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28 at Holy Spirit Church**. In cathedrals around the world there will be special Jubilee 2025 Masses celebrated on Sunday, Dec. 29.

Both the Cathedral of the Holy Family and St. Paul Co-Cathedral (at the 10am Mass) will mark the opening of Jubilee 2025 with special prayers on that Sunday – all are welcome to attend! We begin in the Bishop James Mahoney Hall carrying the Jubilee Cross to the place where it will be venerated throughout the year.

The theme of the Jubilee 2025 year is "Pilgrims of Hope." Find links to resources and information about Jubilee 2025 at https://rcdos.ca/jubilee-2025

MONDAY, December 30, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary

12:10 pm - Mass († Melissa Fernandes-Moroz)

4:30 pm - Wedding Rehearsal

6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group

TUESDAY, December 31, 2024 St. Sylvestre I (OM)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Claire & Delmar Friesen)
2:00 pm - Wedding

WEDNESDAY, January 1, 2024 Mary, Holy Mother of God (S)

10:00 am - Mass

THURSDAY, January 2, 2024 St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen (M)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Joyce Taylor) 8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

FRIDAY, January 3, 2024 Most Holy Name of Jesus (OM)

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary

12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Daniel Sidloski) 5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

SATURDAY, January 4, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** († Katie Sekulich) 5:00 pm - Eritrean Choir Practice

SUNDAY, January 5, 2024 Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am - **Mass** 10:00 am - **Mass**

2:00 pm - Eritrean Mass 7:30 pm - **Solemn Vespers** 8:00 pm - **Mass**

The African Canadian Catholic Community Presents:

CROSSOVER NIGHT

New Year, Same God

December 31, 2024

Holy Spirit Parish

114 Kingsmere Place

9:00 pm Confession & Adoration

10:00 pm Mass

"For I the Lord, do not change; therefore you, O children of Israel, you cannot be consumed."

Malachi 3:6

We are collecting donations of toques, mitts & socks to give to those in need this winter.

Donations can be placed under the tree in the Welcome Area



Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus

Tuesday, January 7 at 7:45 pm St. Paul's Co-Cathedral All are welcome!

Merry Christmas from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon! Christmas week Mass times from parishes across the diocese are posted at https://rcdos.ca/christmas. A video Christmas message from Bishop Mark Hagemoen will also be available on the diocesan website, along with the text of the bishop's Christmas letter.

MONDAY, January 6, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Larry & Diane Taylor) 6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group

TUESDAY, January 7, 2024 St. André Bessette (M)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Arthur Siemens) 7:45 pm - Holy Face Devotion

WEDNESDAY, January 8, 2024 St. Raymond of Penyafort (OM)

11:00 am - Confessions, & Rosary 10:00 am - **Mass** (SI David Sidloski)

THURSDAY, January 9, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Lucille Pillon) 4:30 pm - RCIC

7:00 pm - RCIA

8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

FRIDAY, January 10, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary

12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Isabelle Mann) 5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

SATURDAY, January 11, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** († Danny Cooke) 2:00 pm - Baptism

SUNDAY, January 12, 2024 Baptism of the Lord (F)

8:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Mass

7:30 pm - Solemn Vespers

8:00 pm - Mass

Canadian Martyrs Relic Tour - Major relics of the Canadian Martyrs, including the skull of St. Jean de Brébeuf and bones of St. Charles Garnier and St. Gabriel Lalemant, will be travelling across Canada for the first time in 2025. The relics have resided principally at the National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs in Midland, Ontario for the past hundred years. Also part of the national tour will be a relic of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the first indigenous North American saint. The national relic tour includes a stop at the Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon on Jan.

24: mark your calendars and watch for more details. More about the national tour is posted on the Canadian Martyrs website: https://martyrs-shrine.com/

Rebuilding Catholic Culture Dessert Night -

"From Tao to Now: Logos, Light, and Eikon" with Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw at Rebuilding Catholic Culture's 8th Annual Dessert Night and Talk 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10 at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish (doors open at 6:30 p.m.). Fr. Gregory is a priest and hieromonk of the Saskatoon Eparchy and founder of the Hermitage of the Three Holy Hierarchs; he is also a theologian, teacher, retreat leader, and well-known speaker. Fr. Gregory will speak about the quest to grasp the relation between the Logos-Christ and the human person. The talk will be followed by Catholic Culture's cheesecake and brownie bar. This is a free event (there will be an opportunity to make a free will offering). Space is limited: RSVP by contacting Celene Sidloski at (306) 715-1541 or e-mail: csidloski@stmcollege.ca.

OFFERING for December 15, 2024

 Cash Donations
 \$ 352.10

 Envelopes
 \$ 2,782.00

 Renovations
 \$ 1,345.00

To receive a tax receipt for the 2024 tax year, please have donations in before December 31, 2024



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4th Sunday of Advent December 22, 2024 CHRISTMAS BULLETIN

Bishop's 2024 Christmas Message

"Nothing is more beautiful than love. Indeed, faith and hope will end when we die, whereas love, that is, charity, will last for eternity; if anything, I think it will be even more alive in the next life! ... Learn to be stronger in spirit than in your muscles. If you are, you will be real apostles of faith in God." – Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

These quotes from Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati – who will be canonized in the upcoming Jubilee Year 2025 by Pope Francis – provide inspiration and encouragement. Announcing the Jubilee 2025, Pope Francis stated: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision."

We prepare to celebrate another Christmas season, and are launching into the Jubilee Year themed "Pilgrims of Hope." Bl. Giorgio Frassati reminds and challenges us about the vision and pathway before us.

During these darker and colder days, in the midst of a world still dealing with much violence and strife, our hearts are stirred by the meaning of the call to be alive and to deepening faith. A similar message comes to us from St. Paul: "Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.... for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ." (see | Corinthians 15:20-22)

Our hearts yearn for the fulfillment of the angel's proclamation at the birth of our Saviour, the Light of the World, Jesus Christ: "Peace on earth, goodwill to those upon whom His favour rests." (Luke 2:14)

We also recall that the Saviour who comes to us at Christmas takes on anything that can come between us and the love of God. This He does through the cross – His Holy Cross which redeems the world! (St. Francis of Assisi) As Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati states, we respond to the privilege of being real apostles of faith in God - by being strong not merely in body, but in spirit. As the Apostle St. Paul exhorts, "May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world." (see Galatians 6:14)

Jesus is the great light and hope that has come into the world. This is the reality that we celebrate joyfully at Christmas. It is the great good news that GOD IS WITH US. Emmanuel has indeed come! Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is loving us, suffering with us, caring for us, holding us.

I invite you all to take time during this season of preparation and celebration to take a personal inventory of on what we gaze, and ... what is the source of our hope? It is so easy to be distracted by temporary or false hopes, as it is easy to be distracted by false gods that at best endure only for a short time. He brings a new way of peace and healing that fills us with the great rejoicing, that bursts forth in our songs and carols, that is reflected in our lights, decorations and gifts to others: Joy to the World! This awareness also means that we can live and act with renewed and bold hope real and true hope!

I conclude with the words of Pope Francis as he announced the Jubilee Year 2025: "Be Pilgrims of Hope":

"Put on faith and your life will take on a new flavour. Put on hope and every one of your days will be enlightened and your horizon will no longer be dark. Put on love and your life will be like a house built on rock, your journey will be joyful because you will find many friends to journey with you."

Let us remember that you and I are called to the hope that finds its source in the Saviour who comes to us at Christmas. The Incarnation – Jesus who is the Word of God made flesh among us – is the inspiration and source of all hope. This awareness has been the inspiration for the upcoming Jubilee Year, as we seek to be teachers and patterns of hope ... for each other... and for the world.

I take this opportunity to thank you all for your love and faithfulness to God and His people, and his salvific desire for all the world. I also thank you for all that you each do every day to respond to the needs of those you care for, with compassion and care.

I wish you, your families, and communities, a blessed and joy-filled Christmas season!

Sincerely in Christ, Most Reverend Mark A. Hagemoen, Bishop of Saskatoon