



Archdiocese of Regina

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Bulletin

Second Sunday of Advent

National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples

Dec 12th is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, when the Church in Canada celebrates The National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. This initiative, coordinated since 2002 by the CCCB Advisory group, the Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council, marks this feast as a day of prayer, solidarity and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of the Americas, appeared in Mexico in 1531 as an Indigenous woman to St Juan Diego, whose Indigenous name was Cuauhtlatoatzin ("Eagle Who Speaks"), and spoke to him in his Indigenous language of Nahuatl. She is wearing the black sash around her waist, which is an Aztec Maternity Belt that Mexican women would wear to indicate they were with child. At a time when colonizing powers in the Americas were showing little respect for Indigenous ways, language, and culture, the mother of Jesus, comes as an Indigenous woman to this land, affirming her special love, indeed her identification with and embrace of Indigenous Peoples and culture. God walks with Indigenous Peoples, and has always walked with Indigenous Peoples.

CSA Education Committee

Over the last two years, many of the educational events that the Core Working Group has provided have been done through zoom. Although the pandemic is still with us, we are now in a position to meet in person. To this end, the Core Working Group has re-established an educational committee to oversee, coordinate and arrange workshops and presentations on a variety of topics around clergy sexual abuse. Should you have any questions or would like to discuss potential opportunities, we would invite you to contact the education committee at csaeducation@archregina.sk.ca

Stewardship Bulletin Bit

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer, or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others, or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church, or do you buy more things that go unused? Our time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

The Archdiocese of Regina is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Nêhiyawak, Nahkawé, and Nakota, and homeland of the Dakota, Lakota, and Métis peoples.

Archbishops Appeal

Cooking meals, wrapping presents, Santa Claus – these are the things people often think about a couple of weeks before Christmas. But the readings today speak of strong images of the Lord coming and inflicting justice upon the earth, and how we are to repent from things that do not bring us closer to Christ. This is where an essential characteristic of Advent begins to show itself. We often think of Advent as a time of waiting and anticipation, but at its core, Advent calls us to prepare for the birth of Christ through repentance. When we allow ourselves the space to humbly look at our lives and recognize those areas that are stumbling blocks to encountering God, we are preparing ourselves to have a space for Him in our hearts. Christmas is the embrace that God gives humanity, taking us into His heart, and Christ entering the world shows just how far God's love wants to go - to the depths of your soul.

Over the last few weeks, we have heard stories about how the appeal has helped our youth, clergy, and families. We have discerned how we can contribute to the works of the Church in the Archdiocese. Your contributions help many people across the diocese in the spiritual and temporal works of the Church.

Thank you deeply for your contribution. Let us all join together as we prepare to welcome the newborn King!

For more information or to donate, visit archregina.sk.ca/grouppage/archbishops-appeal/



TF325: The Feast of Christ the King with Brett Fawcett - Part 2

We continue our conversation with returning guest Brett Fawcett as we discuss what has been called the "Crowning Glory of the liturgical year"; the Feast of Christ the King.

Show Snippet "Christ is both present and coming...so there's that eschatological aspect to it that (Pope Paul VI) was drawing our attention to. And I also think it's because it leads into Advent, which is where we recapitulate that; we remember what it was like to wait for the first coming of Christ." thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/the-feast-of-christ-the-king-with-brett-fawcett-part-2

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CCCB's Journey Through Advent

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops presents Journey through Advent with the Most Rev. Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA, Auxiliary Bishop of London, Ontario. Join us as we reflect on the Scriptures for the Sundays of Advent 2022. A joint initiative of the National Liturgy Office, the Office national de liturgie, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis. cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-advent/

LESSON SEVEN Are you Catechism Cool?

What is in the Catechism?

The Catechism contains the essential and fundamental content of the Catholic faith. It is what Catholics throughout the world believe in common. The Catechism is Catholic doctrine within the context of the Church's history and tradition. It has references to Sacred Scripture, Church Fathers, the saints, papal documents and liturgical texts. There are over three thousand footnotes in the Catechism.

Why does God Reveal Himself? Pourquoi Dieu se révèle-t-il ?

3 Minute Video: archregina.sk.ca/group/catechetical-support-parishes/

Text: read, CCC#'s 36-38, 50-74

Sacred Scripture: 1 Timothy 2.4, 1 John 1.2-3, Eph 2.18, 2 Peter 1.4

Further Reading: Sacred Scripture provides the Catholic faith with Divine Revelation. The Second Vatican Council provided some details on what the Church believes and teaches. Dei Verbum November 18th, 1965.

Saint John of the Cross: "In giving his Son, his only and definitive Word, God spoke everything to us at once in this sole Word and he has no more to say."

itwewin Corner (itwewin is the Cree word which means 'the word' or 'as it is said...')

Fr. John Weckend, Archdiocese of Regina Truth and Reconciliation Healing Committee. Did you know... The Saulteaux, otherwise known as the Plains Ojibwe, are a First Nations band government in Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia. They are a branch of the Ojibwe who pushed west. They formed a mixed culture of woodlands and plains Indigenous customs and traditions. Retrieved from en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saulteaux 11/06/22

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An Advent Dialogue

This Advent, join in a Baptist-Catholic dialogue on Christian experience. Join us on Zoom for this unique ecumenical journey with a series of five small-group theological reflection workshops. In each session, participants from the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada will join together with participants from the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina to faithfully explore the experience of sacred Scripture in our daily lives. So, grab your coffee cup, and let your hair down, and begin a journey with friends old and new this Advent season. Registration is open and ongoing until December 21st. Wednesday evenings 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. (CST), November 23rd - December 21st. To register, or for further information contact: lynda.theoworkshops@usask.ca

Write for the Archdiocese of Regina

Archdiocese of Regina News (archregina.sk.ca/news/) welcomes article submissions from a variety of sources and locations, with preference given to Saskatchewan voices.

We are seeking;

- Good news stories on parish events and activities.
- Stories featuring Catholics making a difference in their communities both within and outside of the parish.
- Stories that help people experience God at work in their lives deepen their spiritual life and broaden people's understanding of sacred scripture.
- Articles introducing and explaining the richness of our Catholic tradition and faith.

Contact Director of Communications, Deacon Eric Gurash, at egurash@archregina.sk.ca for a copy of our submission guidelines.

Advent Calendar

Looking for ways to prepare your hearts for Christmas? Let your family journey along this path towards a meaningful Christmas with this year's Advent Calendar and its daily activities. Available in English and French. Download, share, and print! archregina.sk.ca/group/retreats-and-spiritual-resources/ Remember it's not about the presents, but His presence!

Archdiocese of Regina Employment Opportunity - Receptionist - Permanent - Full-Time

This position works in a fast-paced team environment to ensure the smooth daily operations of the Pastoral Center. This individual must be able to represent the Archdiocese of Regina with the highest level of professionalism and welcome in all interpersonal interactions, internal and external. Please send cover letter and resume to: Leona Burkhart at lburkart@archregina.sk.ca by December 23rd, 2022. For more information on this position, please contact Leona Burkhart at lburkhart@archregina.sk.ca or 306-352-1651 ext 6730.

For full job listing please visit our Employment page at archregina.sk.ca/employment/