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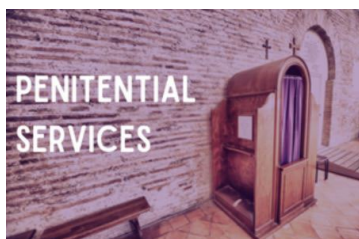
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NEW ITEMS

Archdiocesan News

***NEW* Archbishop's Schedule**

To view Archbishop LeGatt's schedule for April, 2025, [click here](#)



***UPDATED* Lenten Penitential Services**

This Advent, we invite you to prepare your heart for resurrection of Christ by participating in the sacrament of reconciliation. Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. But it is also a time to do penance. This is a wonderful opportunity for spiritual renewal and to transform our experience of Holy Week and Easter. To find out when and where a penitential service will take place near you, please [click here](#).

PLEASE NOTE: The webpage is a work in progress. Visit it regularly as updates will be made every day!

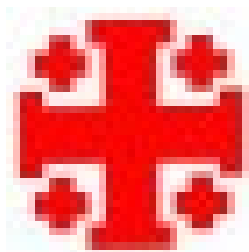


***NEW* Holy Week Celebrations and Masses Calendar**

Would you like to celebrate Holy Week and Easter in a church near you or your family and relatives? Consult our Holy Week Celebrations and Masses calendar by [clicking here](#).

THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE UPDATED IN THE NEXT WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

Please note that this document is also available on the home page of the archdiocesan website: www.archsaintboniface.ca



***NEW* Pontifical Collection for the Church in the Holy Land on Good Friday – April 18 2025**

The Good Friday collection, established fifty years ago by Pope Paul VI and promoted by the Holy See ever since, is the only annual request that the Holy See asks of dioceses and parishioners throughout the world. It helps the Church in the Holy Land to maintain the Christian sites that are so important to Christians all over the world, and to provide pastoral, educational and social works among the small Christian population.

The collection was a response to the needs of the Church throughout the Holy Land. At the time, the Church there was suffering persecution, unable to look after itself and losing the presence of Christians who wanted to avoid such hardship. Over time, and especially in recent years, this

appalling situation has worsened. The Church and our Christian brothers and sisters are counting on your help to maintain a faithful Christian presence in the land of our Lord. Please give generously during Good Friday celebrations.



***NEW* SAVE THE DATE!!!! Multicultural Mass & Celebration – July 1st, 025**

Mark your calendars! On Tuesday, July 1st His Grace Archbishop LeGatt will preside at a multicultural Mass at 10:30 am at the St. Boniface Cathedral, followed by cultural performances and food from many different countries! Want to get involved? We are looking for volunteers to help in the following ways:

- Mass Choir
- Prayers of the Faithful (in your native language)
- Cultural performances after Mass (song, dance, traditional instruments)
- Cultural display & food kiosks
- General volunteers

Email youth@archsaintboniface.ca or call 204-594-0271 and speak with Amber by April 15th about how you can get involved.



***NEW* Employment Opportunities – Accounting Services – St. Paul's College Foundation**

St. Paul's College is reaching out to inform you about an opportunity to collaborate with St. Paul's College Foundation Inc. Currently, our Foundation is seeking Accounting services starting in the summer of 2025.

As a registered charitable foundation, our mission is to support the educational and religious objectives of St. Paul's College. This is achieved through our

fundraising activities and the stewardship of investments generously provided by our donors. The contributions we receive directly support the College's student members, programs, and operations, ensuring a meaningful impact on our community. St. Paul's College is Manitoba's only Catholic Institution of higher learning.

If you, or someone in your network, might be interested in contributing to the endeavors of our Foundation, we would be delighted to receive an application in confidence or have you share this opportunity.

For the full job description, [click here](#). To learn more about our Foundation and its objectives, please visit: [St. Paul's College Foundation Inc.](#)



***REMINDER* Video - Archbishop LeGatt and Jason Cegayle on Lent**

As we continue our Lenten journey, Archbishop LeGatt converses with Jason Cegayle, local animator for Development and Peace - Caritas Canada, about this year's Share Lent Campaign. Here, Jason shares about some of the key partners globally who will be supported by this year's campaign proceeds, and about how we too can affect change, not only through our financial contributions, but also through our collective efforts here at home.

** If you would like to know more about this year's Share Lent campaign, check out their website here:

<https://devp.org/en/campaign/turn-debt-into-hope/>

** We also encourage you to contribute to this year's Share Lent collection, which will take place in your parish on April 5th and 6th.

To view the video, [click here](#) or visit the diocesan Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/ArchSaintBoniface/> or visit the diocesan website homepage at: www.archsaintboniface.ca



***REMINDER* SAVE THE DATE!! Ordination to the Priesthood of Peter Tran – May 31, 2025**

Dear friends,

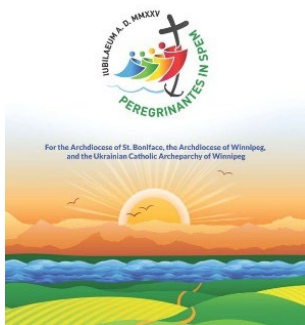
Having received Deacon Peter Tran's petition, having received the recommendation of the Formation Team of St. Peter Seminary and considering Deacon Peter Tran's integration into the life of our Archdiocese, I wish to inform you that I am calling him to ordination for the ministry of priesthood for our archdiocese. The Celebration of Ordination will take place on Saturday, May 31 at 10:00 a.m. in the Cathedral of Saint Boniface. All are invited to attend. I ask each of you to pray in thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus Christ, High Priest and Good Shepherd, asking that all divine graces flow into Peter's heart as he prepares for ordination. +Albert LeGatt Archbishop of Saint Boniface

***REMINDER* Registry Link for the April 5th Diocesan Pastoral Council Meeting**

To all Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) members: don't forget to register for the April 5th Diocesan Pastoral Council. These meetings are a fantastic opportunity to build relationships with PPC members from other parishes, to share with the Archdiocese your successes and struggles, and to learn more about the best practices for running a PPC. The focus of this meeting will be on the new Communication pillar from the revised Upper Room document. The bilingual meeting will be held at the Archdiocesan Centre (151 avenue de la Cathédrale, Winnipeg) from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM, with a complimentary lunch. A virtual option will be available for those unable to attend in person. To register, go to this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/LnXSbL3qzv>

A Pilgrim's Guide to Jubilee Churches and Shrines
Guide du pèlerin pour les églises et sanctuaires du Jubilé
Путівник паломника по церквах та святих місцях у Ювілейний Рік



***REMINDER* New Copies of A Pilgrim's Guide to Jubilee Churches and Shrines!**

The Archdiocese has received additional English copies of *A Pilgrim's Guide to Jubilee Churches and Shrines*. Every parish should have a supply of these beautiful resources on hand to encourage parishioner participation in the 2025 Jubilee. If your parish needs some, please contact reception at info@archsaintboniface.ca or 204-237-9851 to request some be set aside for you and to arrange a pickup time. Parishes in our rural deaneries are encouraged to collaborate and place one order, and we are willing to work with you to arrange delivery as we are able.



***REMINDER* SAVE THE DATE! Diocesan Chrism Mass – April 15, 2025**

Everyone is invited to join us in this year's celebration of the Archdiocesan Chrism Mass, presided by Archbishop Albert LeGatt, D.D., a celebration during which the priests in our archdiocese renew their priestly promises, and the Holy Oils to be used in the sacraments throughout the upcoming year are blessed. This Mass will take place in the St. Boniface Cathedral at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, April 15, 2025.



Apostolates and Ministries



***REMINDER* Illuminate – April 11, 2025**

Evening of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – All are invited to participate in a dynamic evening of adoration, praise & worship, reconciliation and fellowship on **Friday, April 11 at 7:30 PM, at Mary Mother of the Church**. 85 Kirkbridge Dr. Come and worship Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament as part of a vibrant Catholic community. All are welcome! For more information, www.illuminatemb.com or facebook.com/illuminatemb. Illuminate is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, Praise & Worship music, and fellowship, with the opportunity to take part in the sacrament of Reconciliation. See you there!



***LAST CHANCE!* Young Couples Assembly presents “Parenting the Digital Generation” – April 3, 2025**

Hello fellow Young Couples! Are you looking to gain more knowledge or acquire tips on how to raise children in this digital generation? We are very excited to gain some wisdom and insights from an expert who has conducted multiple trainings globally and has also walked the talk herself! We are very excited to learn & come together as young couples helping each other!!

This event is free of cost but registration is encouraged as limited seats are available. April 3, from 7 to 10 pm.

Register [here](#)! More details are in the poster – [click here](#). For any questions, please contact Andrew @ 204-979-3793.

Catholic Schools



***REMINDER* Marian Awards – May 4, 2025**

St. Mary's Academy Foundation is proud to recognize Marlene Coughlin (Cantwell '53) as the 2024 Marian Award recipient and Dr. Joan Flood '73 as the 2025 Marian Award recipient. These distinguished alumnae embrace and exemplify SMA's mission and vision in our community and the world. Join us in celebrating their achievements and the lasting impact of St. Mary's Academy at the Marian Awards Brunch on Sunday, May 4, 2025. Read more about the recipients and purchase tickets at www.smamb.ca/events/marian-awards. For poster, [click here](#).

Development and Peace



***NEW* Demanding fairer policies in Tunisia**

Resource mismanagement and unfair international conditions trap Tunisia in debt. Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner, the Tunisian Economic Observatory (OTE), analyzes the country's debt policies, and informs Tunisians about economic issues, enabling them to demand fairer and more equitable policies to promote sustainable development that benefits everyone.

This Lent, discover the work of OTE by reading our [Mini-magazine](#) at devp.org/lent/resources.



***REMINDER* This Lent, please give generously**

On Solidarity Sunday, April 6th, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's **Turn Debt Into Hope** campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity.

Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.

"Development and Peace — Caritas Canada accompanies, calls on economic policy-makers and governments to hasten the cancellation of unjust debts and advocates for an international financial reform. Countries in the Global South are the most affected by the consequences of war and the intensity and increased frequency of climate change disasters which further exacerbate the poverty crisis. — Archbishop Albert LeGatt (Solidarity Sunday Memorandum)

Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give.

To read Archbishop LeGatt's complete Solidarity Sunday Memorandum, please click here.

Thank you for your solidarity!



***REMINDER* External debt and ecological debt: Who owes whom?**

Peru is facing an ecological debt crisis as extractive industries, often foreign-owned, plunder its natural resources, harming the environment and human rights.

These industries contribute to the unjust enrichment of the Global North at the expense of the Global South. Thus, as countries in the Global South incur financial debts that further impoverish them, they are owed a mounting ecological debt by the Global North that is never settled.

Our partners, the Episcopal Commission for Social Action (CEAS) and the Institute Bartolomé de Las Casas (IBC) work closely with affected communities, advocating for justice and sustainable alternatives.

This Lent, discover the work of CEAS and IBC by reading our [Mini-magazine](https://devp.org/mini-magazine) and watching our testimonial video at devp.org/lent.



***REMINDER* Turn Debt into Hope : sign the petition!**

In this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis calls on us to take part in the global **Turn Debt into Hope** campaign to "*forgive the debts* of countries that will never be able to repay them."

Knowing that 3.3 billion people live in countries that spend more on foreign debt repayment than on health or education, we must act! Sign the global petition calling for:

1. Canceling unjust and unsustainable debts
2. Reforming the global financial system to prioritize people and the planet
3. Establishing a binding and comprehensive debt framework within the United Nations

Please sign the petition in church or online at devp.org/debt.



In the Media



***NEW* Catholic Register – “Catholics urged to keep social teaching top of mind this election”**

Prime Minister Mark Carney has called a snap federal election for April 28 by asking Governor General Mary Simon to dissolve Parliament, setting in motion what could conceivably be the most consequential countrywide vote in generations.

As Canadians prepare for the upcoming campaign, Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC) president Bishop William McGrattan urged Christians to get involved in the electoral process. “I think it is important to realize we do have this freedom and also the responsibility to exercise a decision that will support the country in moving forward in a way that respects common values,” said McGrattan,

the Bishop of Calgary. To read the complete article, [click here](#).

Interchurch & Interfaith Learning (Ecumenism)

***REMINDER* SAVE THE DATE!! 2025 Our Whole Society Conference - June 15-17, 2025**

The Our Whole Society conference, which explores insights from diverse faith traditions and secular perspectives, will be a forum for sharing the grassroots experiences of individuals and communities making positive contributions to Canadian society. The Our Whole Society (OWS) operates under the auspices of the Canadian Interfaith Conversation (CIC). Our Whole Society Conference, will explore: what conceptions of hope encourage and sustain collective action? How do we recognize the gravity of challenges before humanity while working toward a more positive collective future? What understandings of hope can we draw upon to meet the most pressing demands of our time?

Keynote Speakers: [Payam Akhavan](#) (International Human Rights Lawyer), [Elin Kelsey](#) (Environmental Thought Leader), [Lloyd Axworthy](#) (Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Canada) Special Guests: Premier Wab Kinew and Mayor Scott Gillingham. The conference will take place at the Canadian Museum of Human Rights in Winnipeg.

For details and to register: <https://www.interfaithconversation.ca/our-whole-society>

Marriage, Family & Life

***NEW* Marriage Tips**

Lenten check-in: How can your family incorporate a spirit of Lent into your home? Maybe an extra prayer at dinner or a service project together?



***NEW* Rachel's Vineyard Retreat – May 2-4, 2025**

A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend offers a beautiful opportunity for healing to any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion. Retreats offer 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.

Please contact Chris at the Family Support Centre for more information:

chris@familysupportcentre.ca



Support Life! May 2025

May 08
100,000 Flags
Join us as we cover the beautiful St. Boniface Cathedral grounds with 100,000 flags, representing the lives lost to abortion every year in Canada.
9:00am to 4:30pm, St. Boniface Cathedral, Winnipeg

May 15
Spring Gala
Guest speaker, Ashley Bratcher, is most recognized for her breakout role as the star of the box office hit, *Unplanned*, the inspiring true story that chronicles the transformation of a Planned Parenthood clinic director to pro-life advocate.
6:00pm to 9:00pm, Southeast Event Centre, Steinbach

May 25
Manitoba Walk for Life
Attend Manitoba's Largest Pro-Life Walk! Bring a baby item to help single moms.
2:00pm to 3:00pm, KR Barkman Park, Steinbach

Life Culture
For more information, contact the Life Culture office by email at contact@lifeculture.ca or by calling 204-326-5433.
WWW.LIFECULTURE.CA

NEW 3 Upcoming Life Events - May 2025

May 8, 2025 –100k Flag Display - St. Boniface Cathedral grounds - 9:00 am - 4:30 pm. A Tridiocesan initiative in collaboration with Life Culture and We Need A Law, the 100k flags is an all-day event that honours through prayers and 100,000 flags, the 100k pre-born children lost to abortion each year in Canada. The flags, half pink and half blue – each represent one pre-born baby. Being there to help plant the flags is an experience you will never forget!

May 15, 2025 – Life Culture's Spring Gala – Southeast Event Centre, Steinbach. 6:00-9:00 pm. Guest speaker, Ashley Bratcher, actress from the movie, *Unplanned* – the inspiring true story that chronicles the transformation of a Planned Parenthood Clinical director to pro-life advocate.

May 25, 2025 – Manitoba Walk for Life – KR Barkman Park, Steinbach – 2:00-3:00 pm. Come join us for Manitoba's Largest Pro-Life Walk! Bring a baby item to help single moms.

Click [here](#) for events poster.



**Saturday, May 3rd, 2025
1:00 PM - 3:30 PM**

Marriage Enrichment Afternoon

at St. Timothy Parish (135 John Forsyth Rd, Winnipeg)
REGISTRATIONS REQUIRED

Offered by the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface,
with Worldwide Marriage Encounter
and the Marriage Formation Team from
St. Timothy Parish

REGISTRATION: bit.ly/May3Enrichment
Suggested Donation: \$20/couple (donations received at the event)

THEME: Living Your Best Life in Love
Designed for married couples, this 2.5-hour Enrichment aims at enabling all couples to live their best life in love by growing in intimacy, and deepening their relationship. You will participate as a couple in two distinct yet connected activities. There will be no group sharing.

Info: 204-594-0274
mfl@archsaintboniface.ca

REMINDER Marriage Enrichment Afternoon – May 3rd, 2025

All married couples are invited to an afternoon of Marriage Enrichment offered by the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface, with Worldwide Marriage Encounter and the St. Timothy Parish Marriage Formation Team. Held Saturday, May 3rd, 2025 from 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM at St. Timothy Parish (135 John Forsyth Rd, Winnipeg). **REGISTRATIONS REQUIRED.**

THEME: Living Your Best Life in Love. Designed for married couples, this 2.5-hour Enrichment aims at enabling all couples to live their best life in love by growing in intimacy, and deepening their relationship. You will participate as a couple in two distinct yet connected activities. There will be no group sharing.

Register by Friday, April 25th at bit.ly/May3Enrichment

Suggested Donation: \$20/couple (donations received at the event)

For more information, contact Marie at the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface Office of Marriage, Family & Life: 204-594-0274 / mfl@archsaintboniface.ca.

[See poster.](#)



Save the Date

**DIOCESAN WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION**

MAY 4, 2025
SAINT BONIFACE CATHEDRAL
3:00 PM

**MILESTONE
ANNIVERSARIES**
5, 10, 15, 20, 25 YEARS
AND MORE

**REGISTRATION DETAILS
COMING SOON!**

REMINDER REGISTRATIONS OPEN: Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration – May 4, 2025

Are you celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary this year? (5, 10, 15, 20, 25 years or more). You are invited to participate in the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration, on Sunday, May 4th, 2025! A mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Albert LeGatt at the Saint-Boniface Cathedral at 3:00 pm. Couples will be invited to renew their vows and to receive a special blessing. A reception will follow. Celebrating couples will receive an Anniversary Certificate signed by Archbishop LeGatt. **TO REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/anniversary2025>**

Contact person: Marie Brunet, Marriage, Family & Life Office; (204) 594-0274 / mfl@archsaintboniface.ca.

For poster, [click here](#)



Ministry of Care

JUBILEE OF THE SICK AND THE HEALTH CARE WORKERS

TO BE A SIGN OF HOPE FOR THE SICK, THE CHURCH IS CELEBRATING THE JUBILEE OF THE SICK
AND HEALTH CARE WORKERS ON APRIL 5, 2025- APRIL 6, 2025.



Presented by the Catholic
Health Association of Manitoba
(CHAM)

**Faith in Action: The Role of
Parish Nursing in Holistic
Care**

**Saturday April 5
10:00 am**

via Zoom or Facebook Live



CATHOLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA
ASSOCIATION CATHOLIQUE MANITOBAINE DE LA SANTÉ
КАТОЛИЧСКА АСОЦІАЦІЯ ЗДОРОВ'Я



***NEW* Parish Nursing Webinar In celebration of the Jubilee of the Sick and Health Care Workers – April 5, 2025**

In celebration of the Jubilee of the Sick and Health Care Workers held from April 5-6, 2025, we are hosting a parish nursing webinar. **Saturday, April 5 at 10:00 AM via Zoom or Facebook Live.** The webinar will highlight the important role of parish nursing in spiritual care and community health, aligning with the themes of healing, compassion, and service central to the Jubilee. For poster, [click here](#).



***REMINDER* Webinar: "Faith in Action – The Role of Parish Nursing in Holistic Care" – April 5, 2025**

The Catholic Health Association of Manitoba (CHAM) is hosting a special webinar titled "Faith in Action – The Role of Parish Nursing in Holistic Care", in celebration of the Jubilee of the Sick and Health Care Workers. This event will highlight the important role of Parish Nursing in integrating faith, health, and community to support holistic well-being. We would greatly appreciate your support in circulating this invitation within your networks to help us reach healthcare professionals, faith-based organizations, and individuals who may benefit from this discussion.

Event Details:

April 5, 2025 at 10:00 am

Virtual Event – Watch live on [CHAM's Facebook Page](#)

Register here to join via Zoom: <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/parishnursing>

What to Expect:

1. Understanding the role of Parish Nursing in faith-based healthcare
2. How it supports physical, emotional, and spiritual health

To download prayers for health care workers, [click here](#). For poster, [click here](#).

Parish Ministry of Care



**FREE VOLUNTEER
TRAINING SESSION**

**MAY 3, 2025
1:30-4:30 PM**

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. BONIFACE
151 DE LA CATHÉDRALE AVE, WINNIPEG

Please register by: April 28, 2025
bit.ly/ministry-care

REGISTER NOW



CATHOLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA
ASSOCIATION CATHOLIQUE MANITOBAINE DE LA SANTÉ
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Archidiocèse de
Saint-Boniface
Archdiocese

***REMINDER* Parish Ministry of Care Volunteer Training May 3, 2025, 1:30-4:30 pm Archdiocese of St. Boniface**

Do you feel called to accompany others with compassion, presence, and faith? Join us for this special in-person training session designed for parish volunteers involved in or interested in the Ministry of Care. Co-hosted by the Catholic Health Association of Manitoba (CHAM) in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface, Marriage, Family and Life Office, this session will equip you with the tools, knowledge, and spiritual formation to confidently serve those who are sick, homebound, elderly, or in long-term care. Whether you're a long-time volunteer or just beginning to explore this calling, this training will help you grow in your role as a minister of presence, hope, and compassion.

Register by: April 28, 2025 at: bit.ly/ministry-care Click for poster. Nadine Fetherston, mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca for more information.



***REMINDER* Mental Health for Older Adults – April 30, 2025**

Join us for an educational evening on Wednesday, April 30 from 7 to 9 pm at the Lorette Parish Hall. Presenters include the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba, and the Southern Health/Santé Sud Seniors' Consultation Team.

This presentation will include:

- * Information and resources to help older adults, their families, and caregivers.
- * Address misconceptions about Mental health and memory changes in older adults.
- * Provide an opportunity to develop a local support network.

Hosted by the Notre Dame de Lorette CWL Council and the RM of Taché

Services to Seniors. For more information, contact cwellorette@gmail.com

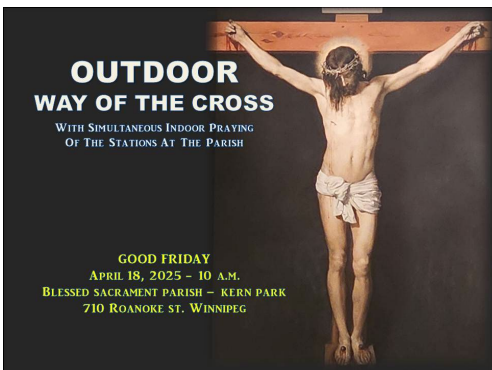
For poster, [click here](#).

Parish Events



***NEW* SEVEN – The Seven Last Words of Jesus – April 16, 2025**

SEVEN - is an evening of music and reflection on the Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross. Hosted by Fr. Gerry Sembrano. Speakers: Josan Abraham, Alvin Fortunato, Ernest Reyes, Joel Solite, Darren Yarechewski, Dean Jonasson, and Jet Agriam. On Holy Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at 7pm at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 710 Roanoke St. Winnipeg. Free Admission. For poster, [click here](#)

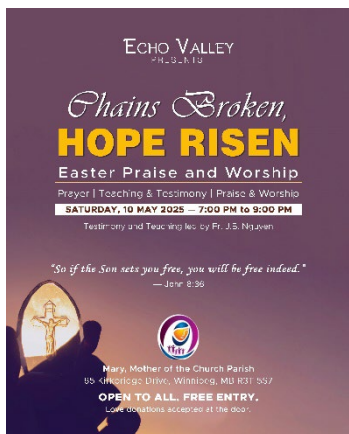


***NEW* Outdoor Way of the Cross – April 18, 2025**

Praying the Stations of the Cross from Blessed Sacrament Parish to Kern Park and back. For those who are unable to join the outdoor walk, the Stations will be prayed simultaneously inside the Church. Good Friday, April 18, 2025 at 10am. Soup and buns will be served after the event.

***NEW* Good Friday Walk – April 18, 2025**

Holy Redeemer Parish invites you to participate in the Good Friday walk starting at 1 PM at the parish, located at 264 Donwood Drive in Winnipeg.



***NEW* Easter Praise and Worship Evening – Chains Broken, Hope Risen – May 10, 2025**

Echo Valley invites you to **Chains Broken, Hope Risen**, an evening of Praise and Worship, as we celebrate the Easter season. This evening is open to all and free of charge and will take place on Saturday, May 10 from 7-9pm at Mary, Mother of the Church Parish (85 Kirkbridge Drive). Join us for an evening of song and prayer. A teaching and testimony will be shared by Fr. J.B Nguyen of MMOC. Prior, Anticipated mass will be celebrated at 5pm. About Echo Valley: An initiative of the Youth and Young Adult Ministry of MMOC, Echo Valley is a collective of vocalists and musicians that gather to praise God through song. Passionate about glorifying God through music, Echo Valley invites the wider community to encounter Christ through the gift of testimony, faith-teaching, prayer and music, as we continue to journey in Christian faith.

For poster, [click here](#).



***UPDATED* "Three Hearts as One: A Living Stations of the Cross Lenten Experience" – April 4 & April 11, 2025**

Join us, to experience the Stations of the Cross come to life!

Actors and musicians from several communities in southern Manitoba have come together to present the Stations with full, live music, helping you to enter into the mystery of Christ's suffering, along with His mother and foster-father's, in a unique way. Journey deeper into the life-giving heart of Christ this Lent. This is a family friendly event.

Friday, April 4

Paroisse Notre-Dame-de-Lorette in Lorette. Thank you to Grotto Theater Ministries. Stations at 7pm.

Friday, April 11

Paroisse St Malo Parish by Grotto Theater Ministries. Adoration & Confessions at 6pm, Stations at 7pm.

For poster, [click here](#).

**Friends in Faith
Connection Café**



Join us for an evening of practical tips, spiritual support and fellowship. Refreshments will be served.

Advance Medical Care Planning & Decision Making

***REMINDER* Friends in Faith – Connection Café – April 7, 2025**

Inviting all people looking for spiritual support to get through life's challenges. Each monthly event features a practical life or wellness topic, discussion, prayer, fellowship and refreshments. April's topic will be on Advance Medical Care Planning & Decision Making. Please join us for an informative evening and discussion as our guest speaker Katarina Lee-Ameduri will provide participants with an understanding of advance care planning and surrogate decision making. Specifically the presentation will highlight ethical principles that are important to Catholics as they navigate medical-decision making.

Monday, April 7 at 7:00 pm at Mary, Mother of the Church, 85 Kirkbridge Drive. Please arrive early. Cost is goodwill offering. See mmoc.ca for more info and [to register](#). For poster, [click here](#)

Social Justice



***NEW* Vatican Survey on Abolishing Nuclear Weapons**

The Vatican wants to hear from you! Pax Christi is conducting a survey of North American Catholics for their thoughts about nuclear weapons. Please take a few minutes to complete and submit this survey by **April 17, 2025** here: <https://tinyurl.com/msujhc4n>. The results will be sent to the Vatican and shared widely.



Special Event



***REMINDER* Walk for Jesus on Easter Saturday, April 19th, 2025**

We invite you to the Walk for Jesus on Easter Saturday, April 19th, 2025, at 2 pm. The starting point will be at the Legislative building. Once the walking route is confirmed it will be posted on our Facebook page. We are looking to unite as many churches as we can to remember and honour the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and how he sacrificed his life on the cross for all of us. We would like for the world to see the church of Christ come together in unity and love in the spirit of God. We would greatly appreciate your presence and church representation to walk with all of us and your prayers of course are always welcomed.

[Attached is the poster for April 19th.](#) If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Todd at (204) 290-9033. God bless you. - Walk for Jesus Winnipeg Group

Spiritual Growth



***NEW* Video Series "Journey Through Lent 2025"**

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops presents "Journey Through Lent 2025". Let's deepen our faith with short videos by the **Most Rev. Gary Franken, Bishop of Saint Paul**. For the **Fifth Sunday of Lent**, Bishop Franken provides a reflection (6:15 min) on judgement.

To access these brief, but moving videos, [click here](#). For more Lenten resources, visit our Jubilee 2025 Curated Resources page by [clicking here](#).



***NEW* Lenten Fish Fries Bring Parish Families Together – Article by Ron Kuzlik** **This History of Lenten Fish Fries**

Friday evening fish fries during Lent have become a staple for many Catholic parishes. It all started prior to Vatican II when Canadian bishops had a variety of restrictions concerning fasting (eating one full meal and two smaller meals that don't equal another full meal) and abstinence (refraining from eating meat on all Fridays and other designated days). There were a large number of immigrants from Poland, Germany, and other Central European countries who migrated to Canada and the Midwest of the United States in the 19th Century. Because of the proximity to the Great Lakes and a number of other freshwater lakes, eating fish became an alternative to meatless Fridays. With that, the Lenten Fish Fry was born.

To read the complete article, published on the Archdiocese of Winnipeg website, [click here!](#)



Youth & Young Adult Ministry



NEW TEC Retreat - May 17 – 19, 2025

TEC retreats are starting up again this spring (May 17-19) at the CSE in St. Malo. TEC ("To Encounter Christ") is a unique experience in Christian living for both adults and teens over the age of 16. The central theme of TEC is the Paschal Mystery; a reflection on Christ's invitation to die to ourselves and rise to a new and fuller life. Eucharistic celebrations, sharing your faith with others, and the joy of being yourself are a part of what makes each weekend so meaningful. The cost for the weekend is \$150, and includes meals and accommodations. You can apply online at www.gbtec.ca/apply-now or visit www.gbtec.ca for more information. For poster, [click here](#)

Already participated in a TEC weekend? We need you too! Please let us know how you can help out at tinyurl.com/WorkOnTEC

The Catholic School of Evangelization Annual Banquet

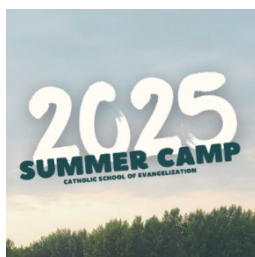


REMINDER CSE Annual Fundraising Banquet – May 29, 2025

The Catholic School of Evangelization is inviting you to attend our annual fundraising banquet on Thursday May 29 from 6pm-9pm. This is a time for us to gather together as supporters and to rejoice over the many ways our Lord is working through the CSE. The evening will consist of a good meal and a short program. This year we will feature special presentations by our Outreach and Camp teams, with a special time of praise and worship as well. We hope you'll consider supporting our work. For more information or to purchase tickets please visit

www.catholicway.net/banquet

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REMINDER Summer Camp Staff Positions

The St. Malo Catholic Camps is now accepting applications for all staff positions for the 2025 Summer Camps. Working at the Saint Malo Catholic Camps is a great way to share your faith and to help others to encounter Jesus in a powerful way. Come be part of something great this summer!

Available positions include Camp Coordinator, Staff Counselors, Lifeguard/Health Officer, Head Cook, Head of Maintenance, and Assistant Cook. For job descriptions, wages, and deadlines, please visit our website at www.catholicway.net/camp-staff-and-volunteers or contact us as info@catholicway.net



REMINDER 2025-'26 Discipleship Formation Program - St. Malo, MB - Applications being accepted

Young Adults! It's time to apply! Take a year off to dive deeper into your Catholic faith. The Discipleship Formation Program is an 8-month live-in program for post high school students 18 yrs or older, at the Catholic School of Evangelization in St. Malo Manitoba. This is an opportunity to live in community, to study the Catholic faith with the head and the heart, to develop your personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and to grow in missionary zeal through evangelization and ministry. Experience the challenge and satisfaction of helping children and teens in Manitoba Catholic schools encounter the love of God. Get ready for a memorable year as you build friendships with other young adults from various places in

The Catholic School of Evangelization's
DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION PROGRAM
Canada. Is God calling you? Apply today at

<https://www.catholicway.net/dfp> For poster, [CLICK HERE](#)



Stewardship

April 6, 2025 - 5th Sunday of Lent

"...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (PHILIPPIANS 3:8)



The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts. Living stewardship by sharing our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.

REPEATED ITEMS

Archdiocesan News



Photo Gallery – Rite of Election Photo Gallery

Around 150 people attended the Rite of Election, held on March 9 at Saint Boniface Cathedral. The Rite, presided by Archbishop LeGatt, saw 29 catechumens enrolled in the Book of the Elect. The catechumens were accompanied by their sponsors and families and 17 candidates who will complete the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at Easter. Congratulations and blessings to all of the Elect! A big thank you to Paul Hyunhui Choi for the beautiful photos.

To view the gallery, [click here](#).

Apostolates and Ministries



CCRS OF MB – "Jubilee with The Apostles & Evangelists" Pilgrimage – October 19 to 30, 2025

Join us on an incredible pilgrimage to Italy from **October 19th to the 30th, 2025**: We will visit many of the most beautiful cathedrals of the world! A wonderful opportunity to visit the remains of many apostles and evangelists and walk thru the "Holy Doors" of the four major Basilicas of Rome during the Jubilee Year. All details are on the attached flyer. Limited Space. For more information: 204-895-7544 or email ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com
For poster, [click here](#)



In the Media



Winnipeg Free Press: 'A sense of the unfathomable' - Roman Catholic prayer service focuses on church abuse victims

"Unfathomable." That's the word Albert LeGatt, archbishop of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. Boniface, repeated multiple times last week during a prayer service that may have been the first of its kind across Canada — focusing on survivors of sexual assault committed by clergy.

"When I think of this whole reality of sexual abuse, that's the word that comes to mind," LeGatt told about 75 people at Christ the King Parish on St. Mary's Road.

To read the complete article by John Longhurst, [click here](#)

Marriage, Family & Life

Reflections for the Separated & Divorced

How does a separated or divorced person fast? Like everyone else!

Give up harsh words. *Use generous ones instead.*

Give up unhappiness. *Take up gratitude.*

Give up anger. *Take up gentleness and patience.*

Give up pessimism. *Take up hope and optimism.*

Give up worrying. *Take up trust in God.*

Give up complaining. *Value what you have.*

Give up stress. *Take up prayer.*

Give up judging others. *Discover Jesus within them.*

Give up sorrow and bitterness. *Fill your heart with joy.*

Give up selfishness. *Take up compassion for others.*

Give up being unforgiving. *Learn reconciliation.*

Give up words. *Fill yourself with silence and listen to others.*

- Lisa Duffy - *A Road to Healing*



Mother Daughter NFP Classes with Serena Manitoba — April 26th, May 31st, or June 14th, 2025

Discussing upcoming and ongoing changes in a girl's body from her tween to her teen years, to becoming a young lady, can be a delicate topic. Serena offers three Mother Daughter NFP (Natural Family Planning) / Body Literacy classes, each one appropriate for three different age groups, stimulating and encouraging ongoing communication between moms and their daughters about their femininity in light of God. Our Mom & Tween class for **9 - 12 year olds will be held Saturday, April 26th at St. Emile Parish from 1 - 5pm**. The Mom & Teen and Teen/YA (Young Adult) Classes will be held on **Saturday at the Archdiocese of St. Boniface from 1 - 4:30pm on May 31st for 13 - 15 year olds** looking at Body Literacy and an Intro to Charting, and on **June 14th for 16 - 21 year olds** focusing on Advanced Charting. Suggested donation is \$15 per mother-daughter(s) set, per class. Payment can be made by cash or cheque at the event, or via e-transfer at mbserena@gmail.com before or after the event. Optional NFP items will be available for purchase at the Teen and Teen/YA classes. For more info, contact Janelle at mbserena@gmail.com or 204-783-0091. To register, go to bit.ly/mother-daughter-2025, or see the poster at bit.ly/mother-daughter-poster.



Fertility Health Awareness Seminar (Spring 2025) - May 24, 2025

Calling all engaged couples... and anyone interested in learning more about Natural Family Planning! Find out about the various methods of NFP, and how they can benefit your fertility & marriage. This Spring, the Archdiocese of St. Boniface is pleased to offer, free of charge, the Fertility Health Awareness Seminar, at the St. Boniface Cathedral: Saturday, May 24th, 2025 (1:00-4:30 pm) – Serena, NaPro & Creighton, FEMM and Couple to Couple League methods.

Please note: All engaged couples marrying in the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface must attend the Fertility Health Awareness Seminar as part of their Marriage Formation Process, however the seminar is open to everyone. Registrations required.

Deadline to register is May 16. Link to register: bit.ly/fhas-register.

For more info, visit bit.ly/fertilityhealth-stboniface or contact the Office of Marriage, Family and Life of the Archdiocese of St. Boniface - Marie: mfl@archsaintboniface.ca ; 204-594-0274 OR Nadine: mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca ; 204-594-0295

For poster, [click here](#)



Mass Wedding at Blessed Sacrament Parish – July 5, 2025

For various reasons, many couples today are living together outside the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony. We at Blessed Sacrament Parish would like to facilitate the preparation and the celebration of the Sacrament. How? By inviting couples to join us in a Wedding of all couples of our parish and others in one celebration and one Mass on July 5, 2025. We are waiving the fees for the ceremony (except the Marriage Preparation Seminar). You may contact Fr. Gerry immediately to start the interview and the preparation process: father@blessedsacrament.wpg.ca or 204-224-1669, ext. 21.

SAVE THE DATE!! Catholic Men's Conference – May 9 & 10, 2025

The 2025 Catholic Men's Conference will happen May 9-10, 2025 at St. Emile parish in Winnipeg. Come join us for a faith growing experience with Fr. Kenneth Leblanc IC. as the main conference speaker. This will be a great opportunity to deepen your faith and draw closer to Lord

while delving into what it is to be a man and the call of God in each one of our lives. It will also be a great gathering of men who are looking to grow in holiness in the fellowship of our brothers in faith.

Tickets are \$60 each (students \$20) and are available at www.catholicway.net/mens2025, by calling 204-347-5396 or emailing us at info@catholicway.net.

Monthly Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

Prayer Intention for April, 2025

For the use of the new technologies – Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

Visit our **French website**: <http://www.archsaintboniface.ca/index.html?lang=fr> to read the French bulletin, *Nouvelles hebdomadaires*, for announcements and activities that appear only in French.

Please note: All announcements must be submitted to the office of Communications: communications@archsaintboniface.ca, by Monday at 4 PM if they are to be published in the Tuesday bulletin.

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