

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday April 2

- Mass at 7:00pm followed by adoration until midnight
- Confessions from 9pm-11pm

Good Friday April 3

- 12:00pm Preaching on the Seven Last Words with Father Penna
- 3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
- 7:00pm Tenebrae service

Easter Vigil April 4

- 8:30pm Mass followed by Agape meal in the Parish hall

Easter Sunday April 5

- 8:00am Mass
- 10:00am Mass with Bishop Mark Hagemoen
- Note there will be no 8:00pm Mass

*There will be no Daily Mass on Tuesday & Thursday of Holy Week

This Week look at Jesus looking at you from the Cross, and loving you as He prayed this Psalm

Psalm 22

Lord Jesus, you prayed this psalm as you walked in prayer to the Passion, then you prayed it on the Cross that saved me. I love you. Help me love you more. I abandon myself to your holy will.

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

² O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night but find no rest.

³ Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

⁴ In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

⁵ To you they cried and were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

⁶ But I am a worm and not human, scorned by others and despised by the people.

⁷ All who see me mock me; they sneer at me; they shake their heads;

⁸ "Commit your cause to the Lord; let him deliver—

let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"

⁹ Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast.

¹⁰ On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.

¹¹ Do not be far from me, for trouble is near, and there is no one to help.

¹⁴ I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax;

it is melted within my breast;

¹⁵ my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

¹⁶ For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they bound my hands and feet.

¹⁷ I can count all my bones.

They stare and gloat over me;

¹⁸ they divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.

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¹⁹ But you, O Lord, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid!

²⁰ Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog!

²¹ Save me from the mouth of the lion!

From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.

²² I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:

²³ You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

²⁴ For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted;

he did not hide his face from me

but heard when I cried to him.

²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great congregation;

my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

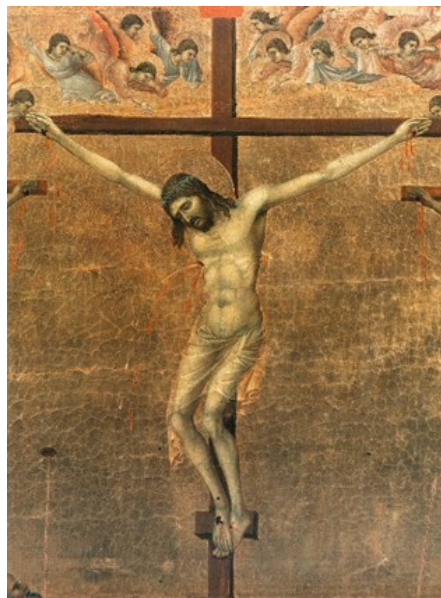
²⁶ The poor shall eat and be satisfied;

those who seek him shall praise the Lord.

May your hearts live forever!

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Palm Sunday
March 29, 2026

[I hope people know] God's glance, or get a glimpse God's way that He sees us, which is just pure love. Not because we're heroes or we're perfect or this or that, but just for who we are, and that we can be instruments of God. I mean, I'm thirteen years in this sick bed. ... and I'm basically a hermit. I have had so many positive things happening in my life ending up with my super illness. You know, "This is being the best part of my life," to be very honest. Because as a priest, you're trained to give, give, and take care of people. You are the shepherd. You are the one who cares, who guides, who loves unconditionally, who forms and brings people to Jesus, who points out, God acting in the world, in their lives. And when you're with the poor and you think you have something to give them then you end up discovering that they give you more than you give them. It's all mediated through God.. it's a, a three-way street I call it. [you, the people, and God]

... I mean, what can I say? For twenty years, people have been going the extra mile. Caring for me, praying for me. The people in Brazil and the whole original mission about 100,000 people, I think. Isn't that something, eh? Isn't that amazing? Just crazy, and they're all poor, and there's no jobs. And anyhow, it's a tough existence. But since I left in 2002, at every weekend liturgy, they pray for me. Wow. Isn't that just wonderful? You think about that, you know, like that's 24 years- Yes ... of prayer, and you kind of go, "What the heck? Like, what did I do there?" I see my limitations, my failures. I don't think I accomplished a lot. But you know, it doesn't matter. The people just love you for who you are, and they appreciated everything you tried to do and, what you tried to struggle for. And, it's just overwhelming.

A homily from the bed of
Fr. Les Paquin, transcribed
by Fr. Penna

Then I look at all the ex-parishioners here in Saskatoon, who keep in touch with me. And, you know, this summer I had 168 visits in three months. I just go like, "What the heck?" Like, I don't think I'm an attraction. And they come, and they just keep loving me. And I don't deserve it. But it's, it's taught me humility, which is how I receive. What's essential, I think, for being a follower of Christ, is that He loved us first. And, I'm a far better-- can't use that word in a competitive way—but I'm a far better priest, shepherd, guy, or whatever you want to call it, than I was when I was healthy and running around like, you know, God's gift to humanity. I minister much [here]. I'm a better instrument because there's nothing in the way, you know? Like there's none of, um, there's no ego in there. Is this making any sense?

I'm so Grateful for all that prayer. And it spurs me on, like, all night long. I'm up and, you know, my prayer is not my initiative. It's God who calls me, quite literally, whether it's pain or, um, a dry throat or whatever. I'm like Samuel in the [Temple] where the Ark of Covenant was. Yes. "Samuel, Samuel!" and he keeps running to Eli, and he goes back and forth. That's it.

And what am I to say? "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." And prayer is pretty simple, you know. It's not me speaking. It's Him speaking, and it's His agenda, and it happens when I least expect it. Mm. So, you know, like St. Paul would say, "Pray always." It doesn't mean that we're consciously choosing to seek God or be with God, but that we're aware of God and God's love all the time, and that is such a gift.

HOLY WEEK

MONDAY, March 30, 2026

11:30 am - Confessions & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (SI Rosemary Kolla)
 6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group

TUESDAY, March 31, 2026

7:00 pm - **Chrism Mass at Holy Family Cathedral**

WEDNESDAY, April 1, 2026

11:30 am - Confessions, & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (SI Fr. Andrew Wychcki)

HOLY THURSDAY, April 2, 2026

7:00 pm - **Mass of the Lord's Supper** followed by Adoration until midnight and Confessions until 11:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY, April 3, 2026

12:00 pm - Preaching by Father Penna on the **Seven Last Words**
 3:00 pm - **Good Friday Solemn Liturgy**
 7:00 pm - Tenebrae

HOLY SATURDAY, April 4, 2026

8:30 pm - **Easter Vigil**

EASTER SUNDAY, April 5, 2026

8:00 am - Mass
 10:00 am - **Mass with Bishop Mark**



Please note, there will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday of Holy Week

CALL FOR EASTER FLOWERS

We welcome all donations of Lilies or Easter flowers to fill our Co-Cathedral for Easter! Please drop off at the parish office before Holy Thursday, open 8:30am to 3:30pm (closed over noon hour).



Alpha Marriage Course is for all couples seeking to invest in and strengthen their relationship! Join us on Thursday evenings for seven sessions **April 16 - May 28** from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at St. Anne's parish for video presentations, private discussion with just your spouse, and delicious desserts! Register online at <https://saintannes.ca/the-marriage-course/> or contact Erin Hickey at ehickey@rcdos.ca for more information.

Registration for First Holy Communion

Available for children in grade 2 or higher. The **classes start April 22 and meet Wednesday evenings at 4:30pm.** Registration is open until April 16.

First Communion is celebrated June 7 on the feast of Corpus Christi.

To register, see the parish website at stpaulscc.com

If you have any questions, please contact Sister Peter at srpetermary@stpaulcocathedral.ca or call (306) 986-3885

OFFERING for March 22, 2026

Cash Donations	\$	637.70
Envelopes	\$	1,635.00
Development & Peace	\$	835.00

“Radiant With Him” Women’s Retreat April 17-

18 - St. John Bosco Parish is hosting a women’s retreat 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. **Friday, April 17** and 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Saturday April 18** (lunch included). All women are invited! The keynote speaker is Danielle Gaudet. Registration is \$60 for the two days or \$15 for Friday only. Register now at <https://radiantwithhim.eventbrite.com>. Contact Ruth Brown at (306) 227-7577 for all inquiries.

Teen-Aid Fundraising Dinner “Created for

Greatness”: Sunday, April 26 at 5:00 pm at St. Anne’s Parish Hall. Features a live and silent auction and entertainment. To register, visit teenaidssask.ca or call 306-373-3645. Visit teenaidssask.ca for details on the **art contest** for students in grade 6, 7 or 8 and the **speech contest** for students in grade 12.

Good Friday Way of the Cross - All are invited to follow the cross through the streets of Saskatoon on

Good Friday, April 3 from 10 a.m. to about 12 p.m., starting at the King’s Bench Courthouse on Spadina

Crescent, Saskatoon, and ending at St. Paul Co-Cathedral (please arrive a few minutes early.) This

time of public witness and prayer features the scriptural Stations of the Cross introduced by Saint

John Paul II, with representatives of local groups and faith communities carrying the cross to the 14

stations for prayer and a reflection connecting the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ to suffering in our

world today.

Holy Week

Chrism Mass - 7:00 pm Tuesday, March 31 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family.

The priests of the diocese gather with Bishop Mark to renew their commitment to ministry. The Sacred Oils for use in the celebration of sacraments throughout the year are also blessed by Bishop Mark. **Frances Oakes, Iris Kalyniuk, Cecile Charlebois and Pauline Heinen** will be representing our parish this year!

Seven Last Words - 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Good Friday

Preaching by Father Penna

Tenebrae - 7:00 pm Good Friday

This marvelous ancient prayer of psalms and readings open the depths of the Passion of Christ. All are welcome.

At the Easter Vigil, Saturday April 4, we joyfully anticipate **Luke, Annika, & Samantha’s baptism**, and we welcome our candidates **Graham, Jade, JiEun, Donal, Kayden, Roxy, Drake & Roy** into full communion with the Church. Please pray for our newest members as they continue their journey of Faith.

After Mass, we feast! Stay for **the Agape Meal to celebrate!**



Easter Sunday, bring your **Easter food** to Mass for a blessing! -- note, no 8 pm Mass on Easter Sunday