

April 25, 2021



BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

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4th Sunday Easter

April 25th

Acts 4:8-12

Psalms 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

1 John 3:1-2

John 10:11-18

Monday, April 26th

Acts 11:1-18

Psalms 42:2-3; 43:3, 4

John 10:1-10

Tuesday, April 27th

Acts 11:19-26

Psalms 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7

John 10:22-30

Wednesday, April 28th

Acts 12:24-13:5a

Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8

John 12:44-50

Thursday, April 29th

Acts 13:13-25

Psalms 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27

John 13:16-20

Friday, April 30th

Acts 13:26-33

Psalms 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab

John 14:1-6

Saturday, May 1st

Acts 13:44-52

Psalms 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

John 14:7-14

5th Sunday Easter

May 2nd

Acts 9:26-31

Psalms 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-3

1 John 3:18-24

John 15:1-8

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:10 pm • Sunday 10:00 am

Monday - Friday 12:05 pm

- Pre-registration *is required* to attend Mass on Saturday or Sunday at our Church (not required for the daily 12:05 PM Mass).
- Please register by contacting the parish office during office hours or more preferably by sending an email request.

Church Visitation: You may visit the Church for prayer each day after weekday Masses, Monday to Friday, until 2 PM.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions will be available Monday to Friday before Mass, 11:30-11:55 AM; Saturdays, 4:30-4:55 PM.

Sacrament of the Sick: The anointing of the sick may be requested by calling the parish office.

Sacrament of Baptism or Sacraments of Initiation: Please contact the Parish Office for Baptisms during the Easter Season.

PARISH STAFF

Office Hours: 1:00-4:00 PM Tuesday to Friday

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Caretaker: *Simon Hagos*

MESSAGE FROM CANADIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS

THE EXPANSION OF EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE IN CANADA

During this Easter season as we celebrate the resurrection of Christ and the new life we have in him, we desire to engage our Catholic faithful on a subject of crucial importance to all of us. Bill C-7 has now become law, expanding euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada, known as "Medical Assistance in Dying" ("MAiD").

Read full text in the Bulletin Insert.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY 2021

The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

LIVE STREAM LITURGY

We live stream the 5:10 PM Mass on Saturdays – search on YouTube for: "blessed sacrament parish regina"

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FINANCIAL UPDATE	April 10/11	April 17/81
Regular/Loose Collection	\$1,352.50	\$684.00
Building Fund	\$161.25	\$106.25
Other	\$76.25	\$50.25
Parish Charity & Special Needs	\$240.00	—

POPE FRANCIS ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

The true miracle performed by Jesus that day is not so much the multiplication — which is true — but the sharing: give what you have and I will perform a miracle. He himself, in multiplying the bread that had been offered, prefigured the offering of Himself in the Eucharistic Bread. Indeed, the Eucharist alone is capable of satisfying the infinite hunger and the desire for God which inhabits each person, even in the search for daily bread. *(General Audience, 27 March 2019)*

'CLEANSE OUR LAND'

U.S. BISHOPS CALL FOR PRAYER, ACTION TO END RACISM AFTER CHAUVIN VERDICT

In the wake of Tuesday's verdict in the trial of the police officer in Minnesota, the first African-American Cardinal called for Catholics to fight racism without violence.

"As the Gospel of Jesus Christ teaches us and the life example of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. showed us, it is the virtue of charity, non-violence, prayer, and working together that moves us toward reconciliation and true healing from trauma we have experienced," stated Cardinal Wilton Gregory of Washington, D.C. on Wednesday.

"May we choose to respond with civility and respect for the dignity of all of our brothers and sisters, as we continue the work of rooting out all injustices and systemic racism in our society," Cardinal Gregory stated.

U.S. bishops called for prayer and action to end racism. "Let us pray that through the revelation of so much pain and sadness, that God strengthens us to cleanse our land of the evil of racism which also manifests in ways that are hardly ever spoken, ways that never reach the headlines."

"Let us not lose the opportunity to pray that the Holy Spirit falls like a flood on our land again, as at Pentecost, providing us with spiritual, emotional, and physical healing, as well as new ways to teach, preach, and model the Gospel message in how we treat each other..."

COVID VACCINATION BOOKING INFORMATION

For Booking:

- <http://www.saskatchewan.ca/COVID19-vaccine>
- Telephone: 1-833-727-5829

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 24	+Holy Souls in Purgatory by a parishioner
Sunday, April 25	For the Parishioners
Monday, April 26	+Holy Souls in Purgatory by a parishioner
Tuesday, April 27	+Holy Souls in Purgatory by a parishioner
Wednesday, April 28	+Our deceased relatives by a parishioner
Thursday, April 29	+Holy Souls in Purgatory by a parishioner
Friday, April 30	+Our deceased relatives by a parishioner
Saturday, May 1	+Holy Souls in Purgatory by a parishioner
Sunday, May 2	For the Parishioners

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

4th Sunday Easter	April 24 5:10 PM	April 25 10 AM
Eucharistic Minister	Mary Wadsworth	—
Community Leader	Rosita Ongsu	Reuben Mercado
Lector 1	Sr. Helen	Pete Escanlar
Lector 2	Domenic Scuglia	Eumir Mercado
Usher	Gord Pilon	Heintje de Sosa
Organist	Bernadette Kutarna	Jan Bitara
Cantor	Agnes Hovland	Mark Heinrichs
5th Sunday Easter	May 1st 5:10 PM	May 2nd 10 AM
Eucharistic Minister	Dolly Dyck	Marian Centre
Community Leader	Lorraine Vincent	Marian Centre
Lector 1	Ray Lalonde	Todd Pilon
Lector 2	Larry Ongsu	Marian Centre
Usher	Gord Pilon	

REGINA PRO-LIFE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

We invite you to support Regina Pro-Life through its annual Banquet Fundraiser. We will be having a Drive-Thru Fundraiser again this year, due to covid.

- Wednesday, May 5, Charlotte's Turkey Dinner at Holy Trinity Parish parking lot. Pick up between 5 – 6:00 pm
- Thursday, May 6, Charlotte's Roast Beef Dinner at Christ the King Parish. Pick up between 5 – 6:00 pm.

To purchase email rpla@sasktel.net with your name, email address, how many meals, and phone number.



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*4th Sunday of
Easter*

Signs of Life in the Local Church: May 2021 Webinar Series

Join in this series to explore signs that new missional perspectives are bringing life to local congregations.

• Each Thursday in May, starting May 6 at 3:00 PM (Saskatchewan) on Zoom.

Free registration: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/join?meetingref=1ZAcqf-ytqzosGdVoDhE6gNcveFr2JjU4-WCd>

For further information, contact Archdeacon Cheryl Toth at stewardship@sasktel.net

May 6: Unmasking the Post-Covid Church

with Rev. Dr. Ross Lockhart (Dean of St. Andrew's Hall at UBC, Professor of Mission Studies at Vancouver School of Theology)

Churches have been through a prolonged period of adaptive leadership challenges over the last year with Covid-19. What has God taught us through this experience about what it means to be church?

May 13: Fabulously Flourishing in the Local Church

with Canon Dr. Neil Mancor (Congregational Development Coordinator, Anglican Diocese of Montréal)

Before we start talking about money, we need to get the conditions right. In the same way that we prepare the ground for planting our gardens, we need to do the same in our churches.

May 20: Blessed to be a Blessing ... The Stewardship of Opportunity

with Rev. Dr. Tim Beadle (co-founder of the Rural Church Pastors Network & Missional Engagement Team Lead, Foothills Alliance Church, Calgary)

In our time together we will lean in together and explore how we can steward the opportunities God entrusts to us and our faith community based on Matthew 25.

May 27: To The Regions Beyond: Spiritual Care in Under-served Areas

with Rev. Dr. Robin Haensel (Director of Church Development, Canadian Midwest District, Christian & Missionary Alliance Church)

Dr. Haensel will introduce his recent D.Min. project (Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon) helping him fulfill God's calling to equip the church to serve those often ignored because of the logistical challenges of shrinking rural populations.

This series is planned in the spirit of the LAURC Covenant by the Ecumenical Stewardship Committee of the Anglican Diocese of Qu'Appelle, the Saskatchewan Synod of the ELCIC, and the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina.

TF241: Resurrection Part 2 - Resurrection and the New Creation

What does it mean that Christians proclaim belief in the resurrection of the body, and what connection does this have to the end of human history. Join the discussion in this part 2 of 2, this week on the Thinking Faith Catholic Podcast!

Show Snippet: "John takes all these things which we imagine in the indefinite future; judgment, exaltation, whatever, and he makes them happen right now...and it's the same thing when Jesus says 'I'm the Resurrection' - yeah we know our brother will be raised somewhere down the line, and he's like, 'No, you're looking at it.'"

<https://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/resurrection-part-2-resurrection-and-the-new-creation>

The City of Regina Wellness Committee has passed a motion to consider a municipal bylaw banning conversion therapy. The Canadian Catholic Bishops have expressed concerns about this type of legislation. Many examples, including Federal Bill C6, have been written in an overbroad manner that threatens to harm the very people such legislation is supposed to help. See the Bishops' statement here:

<https://www.cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/CCCB-statement-on-Bill-C-6-conversion-therapy-EN.pdf>

This will be coming to City Council on April 28. To share your concerns, please send an e-mail to councillors@regina.ca and mayor@regina.ca. If you wish to address City Council or submit a letter, e-mail clerks@regina.ca by noon April 26. To learn more about local efforts to advocate for better legislation, and to see how you can help, contact allthingspossible@sasktel.net.



*O give thanks to the
Lord, for he is GOOD;
his steadfast love
endures for ever!*

Psalm 118: 1

Stewardship Bulletin Bit

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice." - John 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Him what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times, Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

BULLETIN BOARD

Part-Time Archbishop's appeal Assistant

The Archdiocese of Regina, Archbishop's Appeal Department, is seeking to hire an Archbishop's Appeal Assistant. The position is to start June 1, 2021, or earlier. This is a part-time position 17.5 hours per week; 3.5 hours per day, preferably afternoons. Some flexibility to these hours may be possible. A diploma/certificate in business or marketing or related experience is preferred. Applications would be required to provide evidence of education/training and a Vulnerable Criminal Record Check. Fluent oral and written English communications skills and proficiency in donor software are also preferred. Remuneration will be based on training and experience. A complete resume and covering letter should be sent to Leona Burkhart at lburkhart@archregina.sk.ca no later than May 7, 2021

For a complete job description and/or further information, contact: M. Martinez at mmartinez@archregina.sk.ca

Arise Catholic Women's Retreat

Will be launched online, Saturday, May 1. "Arise: Put On the Amour of Light" will feature speakers Heather Khym, Debbie Herbeck, Mary Bielski, Rachel Herbeck, and Bishop Scott McCaig. Register on the website at:

<https://arisecatholicmovement.ca>

Trinity Manor at Westerra: Welcome Home!

At Trinity Manor we know your pets are family, and they are welcome at Trinity Manor. Have your pet move into our luxurious suites and include them as a part of our community. Trinity Manor is part of the Emmanuel Care community. Emmanuel Care is a healthcare ministry of the Catholic Church that ensures the legacy of Catholic health care organizations and services in Saskatchewan. We offer the best in style and support with modern one and two-bedroom suites, for Life Lease or rent. One resident says "I toured many different places, all equally beautiful, with great care. Trinity Manor was the only one that took care not only of my physical needs, but my spiritual needs as well". Attend daily Mass, or spend time in quiet reflection in our tranquil chapel. Our amenities promote opportunities for our residents' personal growth, while providing stimulating and entertaining activities. Start your day by enjoying the country sunrise, 10 minutes from downtown. Book your personal tour now by contacting Franci at 306-550-8077 or visit us at www.trinitymanorregina.ca.

Community and Sales Relations Manager

Trinity Manor at Westerra Inc. is looking for a full-time dedicated Community and Sales Relations Manager to design, develop and drive sales strategies to meet or exceed occupancy targets through marketing the facility to potential residents, their families, professional groups and the community. The Community and Sales Manager is responsible for promoting the leasing of suites in accordance with established sales procedures, enhancing community awareness through community outreach events and building relationships with current and new referral sources. The Community and Sales Relations Manager will also represent Trinity Manor at Westerra at community functions and promotional events, conducts tours of the residence and plan and hosts events to highlight the services and hospitality of Trinity Manor at Westerra.

He or she will provide input in terms of marketing and sales policies, advertising direction, media relations, direct mail, sales materials and incentive programs and will help in choosing and implementing a computerized customer relationships software system and tracking all sales inquiries and follow-up. The Community and Sales Relations Manager will assist with facilitating a smooth transition for new residents by processing rental or life lease agreements, providing and reviewing the Resident Handbook prior to move in, ensuring that all pertinent information is collected, and coordinating a post move in visit to provide information as required.

The applicant must be familiar with Regina and surrounding areas, have demonstrated success in sales and marketing, be excellent in verbal and communication skills and a great listener with a heart for seniors.

In addition, the applicant must have a post-secondary education, be a good team player with good organizational and computer skills.

Please apply for this opportunity on [Indeed.com](https://www.indeed.com). Applications must be received by April 30, 2021.

RESTART - Building Separation and Divorce Resilience

Starting Wednesday, May 12 to June 16, 2021 from 7 – 8:30 p.m. This offering uses a discussion format and draws on the tools found in the book Rebuilding: When Your Relationship Ends. This program is available from any location on Zoom. Registration \$60. Further info: <https://www.olivebranchministry.ca/support-group/>

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**Message from the Catholic Bishops of Canada to the Faithful
on the Expansion of Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide in Canada**

I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly (John 10:10)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During this Easter season as we celebrate the resurrection of Christ and the new life we have in him, we desire to engage our Catholic faithful on a subject of crucial importance to all of us. Bill C-7 has now become law, expanding euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada, known as “Medical Assistance in Dying” (“MAiD”). As with the 2016 legislation that decriminalized these practices across Canada, the Catholic Bishops of Canada have consistently objected to such a law and most recently its expansion through Bill C-7,¹ which allows euthanasia and assisted suicide even for those whose death is not “reasonably foreseeable”. The possible pressures that will be placed on persons with mental illnesses or disabilities resulting from the most recent legislative changes are all too real, perilous and potentially destructive.²

Our position remains unequivocal. Euthanasia and assisted suicide constitute the deliberate killing of human life in violation of God’s Commandments; they erode our shared dignity by failing to see, to accept, and accompany those suffering and dying. Furthermore, they undermine the fundamental duty we have to take care of the weakest and most vulnerable members of society. Human life must be protected from conception to natural death, at all stages and in all conditions.

In the new and challenging situation we now face, we truly wish to acknowledge and support all those individuals and communities who continue to defend life by resisting euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada, or by promoting life through the care of family, friends and loved ones in their suffering, or in attending to the sick and dying as a dedicated healthcare worker or as a compassionate volunteer.

Our advocacy must continue for rapid access to mental health care, social support for people with such illnesses, and suicide prevention programs. It must include the management and social support of individuals with chronic and/or degenerative diseases, and those living in isolation at our long-term care facilities.

¹ <https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/suffering-and-end-of-life/euthanasia-and-assisted-suicide/>

² Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Letter *Samaritanus bonus* (On the care of persons in the critical and terminal phases of life), 22 September 2020, introduction: “*The ethical and legal boundaries that protect the self-determination of the sick person are transgressed by such legislation, and, to a worrying degree, the value of human life during times of illness, the meaning of suffering, and the significance of the interval preceding death are eclipsed. Pain and death do not constitute the ultimate measures of the human dignity that is proper to every person by the very fact that they are “human beings”.*”

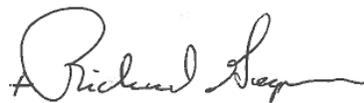
We urge you, as men and women of faith, not to lose heart. As Bishops, we will accompany you in prayer and vigilant advocacy against a “culture of death” which continues to erode the dignity of human life in our country.

We would find it unacceptable if healthcare professionals who oppose euthanasia and assisted suicide were ever to be coerced to participate in acts which their conscience finds morally wrong. The direct killing of a person may never be considered a duty. Likewise, we are categorically opposed to allowing euthanasia and assisted suicide to take place in institutions that bear the name of Catholic.

The experiences of families and healthcare professionals have shown us that palliative care is beneficial for a patient’s physical, emotional, and spiritual condition, especially when provided early on. Practised in a “community of care” setting, palliative care can alleviate and control pain and physical, psychological and spiritual suffering as well as loneliness and isolation, feelings of a loss of dignity, purpose and meaning, and the burden of care often experienced by family, friends and caregivers. Palliative care, and not euthanasia or assisted suicide, is the compassionate and supportive response to suffering and dying.

At this point, it is important to become informed, to renew our involvement wherever we live, and to partner with members of our parish or other faith groups and organizations to continue lobbying our elected officials about these matters. Above all, we need to pray earnestly for a new outpouring of grace, so that the fear and despair experienced by many will give way to courage and hope and that all may welcome the call to support the suffering and dying in ways that reflect the loving and compassionate gaze of Jesus, the risen Lord who lives forever.

Sincerely in the Risen Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Gagnon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

+ Richard Gagnon
Archbishop of Winnipeg
President of the Canadian Conference
of Catholic Bishops

Signed on behalf of the members of the Permanent Council who represent all the Bishops of Canada outside Plenary Assembly meetings of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

8 April 2021