



Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 2, 2025

Immaculate Conception

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Date	Reader	Offertory
February 23, (Sun.) 9 am	Sharon	P Ostrowski
March 1, (Sat.) 5 pm	Cole	J. Patton
March 5, Ash Wed	Vicki	T. Parkin
March 8, (Sat.) 5 pm	Darren	T & M Richelhoff
March 15, (Sat.) 5 pm	Ray	M Scherr
March 29, (Sat.) 5 pm	Aimée	G & S Stang

MASS TIMES: Jan. & Feb.

Luseland Saturday 5 p.m.
Dodsland Saturday 7:30 p.m.
Major Sunday 9 a.m.
Kerrobert Sunday 11 a.m.

Collection:

REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL: Luke 6:7, 20-26

Luke draws a contrast between who is blessed (the one who realizes his/her need for God) and who is cursed (the ones who believe themselves to be self-sufficient). Being excluded or insulted happens to us all sooner or later, especially as a result of our faith in Jesus. Luke sees in such insult a proof that our lives truly belong to God in Christ Jesus.

1. What in your life makes you feel blessed?
2. How much time and energy do you devote to seeking material security, compared to seeking spiritual sustenance?
3. Have you experienced being ridiculed or insulted for taking a stand for Jesus, or do you know of anyone who has?

MAJOR CWL FEES

Our annual dues are once again owing. This year the CWL fees are \$40.50. We will accept either a cheque to Aimée or Blanche or we do accept e-transfer to majorcwl@yahoo.com. Thank you for continuing support of our local CWL.

SURRENDER

A Diocesan Lenten Retreat with Fr. Gerard Cooper will be held 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 15 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Register at:

<https://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/lentenretreat2025> -- cost is \$30 (includes lunch.)

"Surrender" invites participants to embark on a profound Lenten journey of letting go and trusting in God's will. Release your burdens, fears, and doubts as you draw closer to the heart of Christ! Through powerful teachings, prayerful reflection, and worship, "Surrender" will provide a sacred space to encounter God's grace in a transformative way. This retreat offers an opportunity to deepen your faith, and prepare your heart for the joy of Easter.

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ROME FOR YOUNG ADULTS 19-35 YEARS:

Plans are underway for a diocesan Jubilee 2025 pilgrimage trip for young adults ages 19 to 35 years May 19-29, 2025. Details about this "Pilgrimage of Hope" to Rome, Assisi and Venice are still being worked out. For more information, please e-mail Sr. Marta Piano, VDMF, at mpiano@rcdos.ca or John Hickey at jhickey@rcdos.ca or visit the webpage at <https://rcdos.ca/jubilee-pilgrimage/>.

SOCIAL MEDIA RESOURCE

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) has launched a dedicated webpage for the pastoral letter on the use of social media, "Let Your Speech Always Be Gracious." Inspired by the 2024 pastoral letter, this new webpage contains resources and materials to help unpack and apply the guidance provided by the Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace on the use of social media in today's world from a Catholic social and moral perspective:

English: <https://www.cccb.ca/justice-and-peace/pastoral-letter-on-the-use-of-social-media/>

French: <https://www.cecc.ca/justice-et-paix/lettre-pastorale-sur-l'utilisation-des-reseaux-sociaux/>

CALLED AND GIFTED

Explore what gifts the Holy Spirit has given you! A Called and Gifted introductory workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 22, presented by the Cathedral of the Holy Family and open to all those interested. Cost is \$80. Find online registration at:

<https://form.jotform.com/250085439325255>. The Called and Gifted discernment process from the Catherine of Siena Institute begins with an introductory workshop. God has distributed His gifts in accordance with the purpose and plan He has for each one of us to share in the building up of His Kingdom and His people. Whether in our homes, parishes or workplaces, these gifts (charisms) are indispensable to our accomplishing God's purposes. For more information about Called and Gifted see <https://rcdos.ca/called-and-gifted> (Called and Gifted is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

THE OVERNIGHT WARM-UP CENTRE

This centre for men at St. Mary Parish in Saskatoon needs some items for its guests. So far this year some 1,000 people have taken refuge at the site and many lack basic winter clothing to stay warm once they leave for the day. Items in need are men's winter boots, jackets, and mitts. New or gently used items can be dropped off Monday-Thursday from 9-12 and 1-4 at St. Mary Rectory, 211 Avenue O South. Thank you to the many who have generously donated! For more information, contact the parish at (306) 244-2983

CONFIRMATION RETREATS

The Evangelization and Catechesis Office in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is again partnering with FacetoFace Ministries to offer a number of Confirmation Retreats in different locations around the diocese for young people preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. Dates and locations for 2025 retreats are:

• **Saturday, March 1, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Peter, Unity, SK**

REGISTRATION - Please go online to register for each confirmation candidate's preferred date and/or location: <https://rcdos.ca/confirmation-retreats/> or contact Marilyn Jackson at (306) 659-5836 or mjackson@rcdos.ca for more information. Cost is \$20 each, which includes lunch. (Evangelization and Catechesis is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Jesus, let us assure that hungry persons are fed; cold or homeless persons have a bed and blanket; all who are sick because of poisoned air can breathe; and that every single immigrant seeking a home is welcomed. Then we who are poor (all of us) can rejoice and leap for joy because we will know you are with us. AMEN

WORDS OF WISDOM

1. Remember the credo of Walt Disney: Think. Believe. Dream. Dare.
2. Remember that life's big changes rarely give advance warning.
3. Teach your children never to underestimate someone with a disability.
4. What you have to do, do wholeheartedly.
5. Never comment on someone's weight unless you know it's what they want to hear.
6. Never complain about a flight delayed for mechanical repairs. Waiting on the ground is infinitely better than the alternative.

Have a wonderful week!