



January 4, 2026

# CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

## *EPIPHANY OF THE LORD*



Today, the Solemnity of the Epiphany, the great light that radiates from the Cave of Bethlehem inundates all of mankind through the Magi from the East. The first Reading, taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah; and the passage from the Gospel of Matthew, which we just heard, juxtapose the promise and its fulfilment in that particular tension noted when reading passages from the Old and New Testaments in succession. Following the humiliations undergone by the people of Israel at the hands of worldly powers, the splendid vision of the Prophet Isaiah appears before us. He sees the moment when the great light of God that seems powerless and incapable of protecting his people will rise to shine on all the earth so that the kings of nations bow before him, coming from the ends of the earth to deposit their most precious treasures at his feet.

Compared to this vision, the one the Evangelist Matthew presents to us appears poor and humble: it seems impossible for us to recognize in it the fulfilment of the Prophet Isaiah's words. In fact, those who arrived in Bethlehem were not the powerful and the kings of the earth, but the Magi, unknown men, perhaps regarded with suspicion, and in any case, not deemed worthy of special attention. The inhabitants of Jerusalem learned of the event but did not think it worth bothering about. Not even in Bethlehem did anyone seem to take any notice of the birth of this Baby, called King of the Jews by the Magi, nor about these men who had come from the East to visit him. Soon after, in fact, when Herod made it clear that he was effectively the one in power forcing the Holy Family to flee to Egypt and offering proof of his cruelty by the massacre of the innocents the episode of the Magi seemed to have been disregarded and forgotten. It is therefore understandable that the hearts and souls of believers throughout the centuries have been attracted more by the vision of the Prophet than by the sober narration of the evangelist, as the Nativity scenes also show where there are camels, dromedaries and powerful kings of the world kneeling before the Child, laying down their gifts to him in precious caskets. But we must pay more attention to what the two texts communicate to us.

They had brought gold, incense and myrrh. These are certainly not gifts that correspond to basic, daily needs. At that moment, the Holy Family was far more in need of something different from incense or myrrh, and not even the gold could have been of immediate use to them. But these gifts have a profound significance: they are an act of justice. In fact, according to the mentality prevailing then in the Orient, they represent the recognition of a person as God and King, that is, an act of submission. They were meant to say that from that moment, the donors belonged to the sovereign and they recognize his authority. The consequence is immediate. The Magi could no longer follow the road they came on, they could no longer return to Herod.

Therefore, not only did the Magi set out on their journey, but their deed started something new they traced a new road, and a new light has come down on earth which has never faded. The Prophet's vision is fulfilled: that light could no longer be ignored by the world. People would go towards that Child and would be illumined by that joy that only he can give. The light of Bethlehem continues to shine throughout the world. To those who have welcomed this light, St Augustine said: "Even we, recognizing Christ our King and Priest who died for us, have honoured him as if we had offered him gold, incense and myrrh. But what remains is for us to bear witness to him by taking a different road from that on which we came."

Therefore, we can ask ourselves: what is the reason why some men see and find, while others do not? What opens the eyes and the heart? What is lacking in those who remain indifferent, in those who point out the road but do not move? We can answer... they lack the evangelical capacity to be children at heart, to feel wonder, and to emerge from themselves in order to follow the path indicated by the star, the path of God. God has the power to open our eyes and to save us. Let us therefore ask him to give us a heart that is wise and innocent, that allows us to see the Star of his mercy, to proceed along his way, in order to find him and be flooded with the great light and true joy that he brought to this world. Amen.

Pope Benedict XVI Epiphany 2010

## PARISH NEWS



Be a Catholic Woman of Action. Join us and discover how you can fulfill what you are called to be. Join us at our next meeting **January 14, 2026 at 7:00 pm** to explore what we can offer.

**CWL upcoming events:** Meeting January 14, 2026 7:00 pm with guest speaker Jennifer Nunes coordinator of St. Mary's Mission and Outreach. Do you wish to be a prayer sister for 2026? email [cofhfcwl@gmail.com](mailto:cofhfcwl@gmail.com) or call 306-260-3673. Please include your current address. **Deadline January 31, 2026.** All members have been invited by the Knights of Columbus for an evening of Christmas cheer, snacks and fellowship January 13, 2026 7:00 pm at the Cathedral. We are looking for women to fill leadership roles in the CWL - are you being called? All enquiries can be directed to [cofhfcwl@gmail.com](mailto:cofhfcwl@gmail.com)



We would like to Wish everyone a blessed New Year and hope that you are healthy to enjoy Family and Friends! The Knights of Columbus from Council #8215 here at the Cathedral of

the Holy Family, would like to thank you for your support in all the events we are a part of! **We are planning a Christmas Social, it will be held on Tuesday, January 13th, 2026, starting at 7 pm, all members are invited, as well we are inviting all members of the C.W.L. to join us, there will be Cards, food, drinks, Karaoke and of course good people. We are also going to have the first Fish Fry Supper, it will be Friday, March 27th, there will be two seatings (4:30 pm & 6:30 pm), max 300 people at each seating, more information to follow!** Please feel free to contact me at

[koshmanw@gmail.com](mailto:koshmanw@gmail.com), if you have any questions.  
Thanks, SIR Grand Knight Wayne Koshman



### 2026 Sunday Offertory / Donation

Envelopes are available for pickup by the Concierge Desk.

## YOUTH PROGRAMS - JAN 2026



**KG TO GRADE 5**  
FUN, MUSIC AND ACTIVITY

**JAN 18th**

 **SUN**  
3:30 - 5PM



**GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8**  
FAITH, ACTIVITY AND ADORATION


**JAN 15th**

 **THURS**  
7-9PM



**GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8**  
FAITH, FUN AND MUSIC


**JAN 8th**

 **THURS**  
7-9PM



**GRADE 9 TO GRADE 12**  
FORMATION, ACTIVITY AND SHARING

**JAN 27th**

 **TUES**  
7-9PM

TO REGISTER AND GET UPDATES CONTACT

[CONCHITA@HOLYFAMILYCATHEDRAL.CA](mailto:CONCHITA@HOLYFAMILYCATHEDRAL.CA)

# DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

## "THE ART OF LISTENING"

AWAKEN  
WINTER 2026



INTRODUCTION TO THE ART  
OF LISTENING

Marilyn Jackson

JAN. 27. 2026



LISTENING TO GOD IN  
SCRIPTURE & ADORATION

Fr. Dan Yasinski

FEB. 10. 2026

Sr. Maria Piana

THE FOUR LEVELS  
OF LISTENING

FEB. 03. 2026



LISTENING: A PATHWAY TO BECOMING  
A MISSIONARY SYNODAL CHURCH

Fr. Joseph Salifu

FEB. 17. 2026



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Adult Faith Formation Coordinator

### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/ RECEPTIONIST:

The Cathedral of the Holy Family is seeking a full-time Administrative Assistant / Receptionist to manage the front office and reception area of the Cathedral. Please drop off in person a cover letter and resumé. For more information or detailed job descriptions, please call (306) 659-5800.

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PRESENTS

## BELOVED

Next BELOVED

FEBRUARY 6, 2026

NO BELOVED IN JANUARY 2026

ADORATION  
CONFESSION  
FORMATION



Date: January 24,  
2026



GR 6-8

## ELEVATE CONFERENCE

More information and to register: [www.f2f.ca/elevate](http://www.f2f.ca/elevate)

## CELEBRATION OF BAPTISMS



1st & 3rd Saturdays

@

10:00am

To register, please see  
[holyfamilycathedral.ca/our-ministries](http://holyfamilycathedral.ca/our-ministries)



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## ENCOUNTER

*your God*

JOIN US FOR

MUSICAL

ADORATION EVERY

THURSDAY!

7-8:30PM



Begin on January 8th, 2026



# WEEKLY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## Sunday Mass Times

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am, & 6:30pm

## Weekday Mass Times

Monday - Saturday: 12:15pm

Wednesdays: 7:00pm

Mass @ Sherbrooke: Fridays at 10:15am

## Reconciliation

Thursday: 7pm - 8:30pm

Friday: 11am - 12noon

Saturday: 11am - 12noon

## Eucharistic Adoration:

Musical Adoration: Every Thursday 7pm - 8:30pm

1st Friday: **BELOVED** 7pm - 9pm

## Rosary & Devotion to Our Lady of

**Perpetual Help:** Wednesdays @ 6:00pm

**Rosary:** Saturday 11:45am - 12noon

*If you are unable to attend regular Reconciliation times,*

*please phone the office to*

*make an appointment: 306-659-5800*

## Clergy, Staff, & Council Members

Bishop of Saskatoon - *Most Rev. Mark Hagemoen*

Pastor Rector - *Fr. Gerard Cooper*

Associate Pastor - *Fr. Joe Nelo Penino*

Faith Formation Minister - *Andy Korvemaker*

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## Contact us!

Baptism (Infants): [andy@holycathedral.ca](mailto:andy@holycathedral.ca)

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Confirmation & First Eucharist: [hfsacraments.ca](http://hfsacraments.ca)

Covenant of Care: Parish Office: 306-659-5800

Marriage: [gcooper@rcdos.ca](mailto:gcooper@rcdos.ca)

Marriage Preparation: March 2025 - [gcooper@rcdos.ca](mailto:gcooper@rcdos.ca)

Reconciliation by appointment: [info@holycathedral.ca](mailto:info@holycathedral.ca)

Communion to Homebound: [info@holycathedral.ca](mailto:info@holycathedral.ca)

or call 306-659-5800.

Facility Rentals: [jim@holycathedral.ca](mailto:jim@holycathedral.ca)

## Mass Intentions next week

### Monday, January 5

12:15 pm Mass for *+Jim Olson*

### Tuesday, January 6

12:15 pm Mass for *+Daniel Nwabueze*

### Wednesday, January 7

12:15 pm Mass for *+Justin Dupuis*

7:00 pm Mass for *Nya Wagner*

### Thursday, January 8

12:15 pm Mass for *+Justin Dupuis*

## Mass Intentions next week

### Friday, January 9

12:15 pm Mass for *+Louis Piche*

10:15 am Mass @ Sherbrooke for  
*+Justus Dupuis*

### Saturday, January 10

12:15 pm Mass for *+Joseph Novecosky*

## Expected Livestream Schedule

**Mass will be available at  
Saskatoonmass.com for other  
Parishes.**

## Please Include in your Prayers

*This list is for those who are in need of prayer, whether they be sick or well, living or deceased. If you would like your name or a name of a loved one to be listed, please call the parish office: 306-659-5800*

Zenitha Joppa Atebe

+Toribio Ramos

+Peter Fashola

Eileen Materi

Isa Glodoveza

Ben Friske

Rosalind Matchett

Jannette Magdugo

Conchita Fonseca

Melissa GO

+Pius Ojong Okpa

Sophie Irlbeck

Nori Cheong

Perry Antosh

Pilar Glodoveza

Russ Gill

+Braydon Bretzer



## Holy Family Prayer

Most Beloved Sacred Heart of Jesus, As you are the Father's Beloved Son in whom he is well pleased, May we serve others in love as we have been served in love.

Most Blessed Immaculate Heart of Mary As All generations call you blessed through your fiat, May we too move with haste to share the gift of God's love to others.

Most Betrothed Chaste Heart of St. Joseph As you took Jesus and Mary into your home, May we foster free, faithful, fruitful and total love in our family.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic churches, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, Graciously hear our prayer. Amen.



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