École Cardinal Leger School
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www.gscs.sk.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/leg

NOTES FROM THE ADMIN TEAM:

Online learning is continuing and our Leger team is working very hard to make sure your children are engaged and learning during this time. If you have any questions or concerns or you need help on how to access learning, please do not hesitate to call your child’s teacher or myself at 306 227-6665. We will do everything we can to ensure your child has access to their learning and to connect with other students from their classroom! Thank you to all of our families and students who continue to work hard at their studies! LÉGER ROCKS!

Congratulations and Happy Retirement to Mrs. Muir and Mrs. Serafini-Dillon as both are heading onto a new journey of retirement! We wish them all the best and thank you for your many years of service to our school and our division! We wish you well and may God Bless you and your family as you start this new journey. Enjoy the last few weeks of teaching, you will be missed by us all.

We say farewell to Mme McKinley who will be teaching at the new St. Luke French Immersion Kindergarten program in the fall of 2020. Thank you Mme for all you have done for the students at Leger during your time here! You will be missed!

WE also say farewell to Mme Fortier who will be joining Ecole Holy Mary School in Martensville. We have been blessed to have had Mme Fortier with us for the last four years! We know that Holy Mary is so blessed to have her and we send her off with a warm “LÉGER ROCKS”!

First Student Bus:
First Student number is 306-343-2125 the Hotline is 306-343-3300
Registrations for Kindergarten

If you are registering your child for Kindergarten they must be 5 years old by January 31, 2021.

We’d love to welcome you and your child(ren) into our school so you can meet teachers, the principal and the staff. Unfortunately that’s not possible right now.

You can register your child(ren) for the next school year by choosing different options:

1. Download and complete the GSCS Fillable Registration Form
   Save it and email it to: jvrinten@gscs.ca

2. Download, print and complete either the FRENCH IMMERSION.pdf or the ENGLISH.pdf of the Registration Form. Mail to:
   École Cardinal Leger School
   141 Campion Crescent
   Saskatoon, SK S7H 3A8

Along with the registration form we ask that you complete the following forms if they pertain to your child(ren).

1. We are an open and inclusive school community. Non-Catholic children are welcome to attend, with the understanding that your child(ren) will participate in spiritual formation of a Catholic school and that parents/guardians will support the mission, vision and values of the school division. You must complete and return the Non-Catholic Student Declaration of Intention

2. To find out if you are eligible for bussing, please email jvrinten@gscs.ca. If you qualify, please fill out the First Student Bussing Form

Please remember to include a copy of a birth certificate, Saskatchewan Health Card and Baptismal Certificate.

Parent Survey
We would like to ask parents/guardians to take a few minutes to complete a short survey regarding the online supplemental learning we have in place right now. Please follow the link to complete the survey.

SURVEY. Deadline to complete the survey in Tuesday, June 2nd.

Pre-Registration for the 2020-2021 School Year
2020-2021 school year planning continues even in these times of uncertainty. Please note there is an electronic pre-registration survey we are requesting each family complete by Friday, June 8th. Please follow the link:

PRE-REGISTRATION.

This information assists us with planning and class groupings for the new school year. Classroom teachers usually complete socio-grams with the students for the following year, however this is not possible due to the inability to be together. Our goal is to build a community of learners in every classroom and to do this we strive to ensure that the best interests of students are central in all decisions about classroom placement. We take classroom placements very seriously and as professionals spend much time collaborating in making the best choices for our students. Some significant factors include:

· Student’s strengths and interests
· Work habits
· Class dynamics
· Student needs (e.g. need for support in learning English or academic areas)
· Relationships with peers
· Learning styles
· Number of boys and girls in the class
· Social skills
· Number of students in each grade
· Curricular needs

Although friendship are very important we know that this is not always the best for learning. There are many opportunities for children to spend time with friends - collaborating with grade alike groupings, recess and extra-curricular activities. Teachers know your child(ren) well and will consider social relationships in the decision making as well as the many factors as mentioned above.

I welcome any information in writing that you may feel we should know regarding your child’s placement. Please email me your information by Friday, June 8th. Teacher requests will not be accepted.
Goodbyes and Farewells

Hello Cardinal Leger family,

As educators with Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, we recognize that there are many needs and opportunities in different school communities throughout our division. With that in mind, I have been asked to move into the position of Vice Principal at École Holy Mary School in Martensville beginning in fall 2020. The four years that I have spent as Vice Principal at École Cardinal Leger School have been some of the most enjoyable of my career. I love the diversity and pride of this unique community! I have been blessed to know our students and their families on a personal level. I have truly felt included and appreciated in a distinct way. Although I understand that moving to a new school includes new adventures and meeting new people which can be positive and rewarding, I will miss all of you very much. The Cardinal Leger community and families will always have a special place in my heart. Merci milles fois pour ces belles années!

With much love and respect,
- Mme Paula Fortier

I have enjoyed my 3 years at Leger so very much. I was blessed to work the finest people and teach the finest students. The chance to return to teaching Kindergarten after a four year absence was an opportunity I did not want to miss, but I wish I could take you all with me. I know there are a few Leger families who are also moving over to St. Luke’s to their new French Immersion stream and I know we can be brave together as we start in a new school. Thank you for all the fun and friendship!

- Mme Andrea McKinley

It has been a great pleasure to end my teaching career at Cardinal Leger School. This school has been part of my family for over 20 years, as my own children attended here. It has been wonderful getting to know and work with many students and families during my time here. The growth I have seen in present and past students has warmed my heart. And so, I wish all Cardinal Leger students and families good luck and am looking forward to visiting you when you are back in school. Thank you for your support and memories.

Mrs. Tina Muir

It has been my pleasure to have had the opportunity to work with so many wonderful Cardinal Leger students, staff and parents throughout the years I was blessed to be at this school. I have so many great memories and am so proud of how much progress ‘our kids’ have made and I’m sure will continue to make! You will always hold a special place in my heart. I wish everyone all the best in the future - I can’t wait to visit in person at school when we are able to, as our world continues to heal. I look forward to hearing great things about you all. Huge hugs to everyone!

- Mrs. Janice Serafini-Dillon
Schools Start Online School Supply Orders
This year we will be offering Schools Start online school supply orders. Supply lists will soon be available for online ordering for the fall. This is optional but might be a preferred option instead of school supply shopping stores as the supplies get delivered directly to your door.

May Birthdays!
Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrated this month: Declan G., Rosalina J., Eddy R., Cienna W., Rachel T., Hedayat A., Ornella I., David P., Jamie H., Joe H., Tao F., Charlie B., Ben L., Holden M., Alia F., Trisha Q., Emily H., Mandy I.

Psychology Foundation of Canada Webinar
The Psychology Foundation of Canada is offering the following Webinar, "Thrive at Home: Coping During COVID" on June 3, 2020 at 12:00pm eastern time.
The focus of the webinar is the following:
Feeling isolated at home, with a small social network? Wonder how others are coping with the stresses of the COVID-19 new reality? Please join us for a lively discussion on caring for yourself and others with Dr. Diana Brecher and Dr. Deena Kara Shaffer from Ryerson University who will share their tips for resilience in these challenging times.
If you are interested in registering, please register at the following link: Registration

Knights of Columbus Blackstrap Youth Camp Goes Virtual!
Join Blackstrap Youth Camp this summer for some traditional summer camp fun - from the comfort of home! Campers will be able to connect with others, learn new skills and get to know God - all summer long! Any registration made before June 15th includes access to 5 weeks of Virtual Camp, a Camp Care Package filled with the essentials for a great camp experience, and a BYC 2020 Camp T-Shirt! Head to our website for more information and to register: Registration Sponsorship is available for students who may have a hard time paying. We are happy to extend the deadline for sponsorship to June 15th, which is the same day as regular registration closes. For those wishing to apply, they must email the camp (campblackstrap@gmail.com) asking for the online application, at which time we will respond with the link! Since we will be closing the deadline on the 15th, it may take up to a week after that date for them to hear about the status of their application, as we have to go through each one individually.
Phase-in plan for resuming public celebrations in parishes announced

Public celebration of Mass, as well as other gatherings and sacraments will gradually resume in the Roman Catholic of Saskatoon, according to a message from Bishop Mark Hagemoen released May 15, 2020. Find the bishop’s letter posted at https://rcdos.ca/covid-19-updates

Numbers attending Mass or other celebrations will be subject to all provincial health directives, including strict restrictions on numbers attending and requirements for physical distancing. The availability of Mass and the process may vary from parish-to-parish depending on local situations. Please visit individual parish websites or call local parish offices for more information about times, restrictions and processes for attending public celebrations during this interim period.

Please note the following points from Bishop Hagemoen’s message:
- A general dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass will remain in effect.
- Personal distancing must be consistently practiced.
- Liturgical changes will be in place with respect to celebrating Mass and receiving Holy Communion.
- There will still be a risk for anyone who attends a public Mass or enters a public space.

At first parishioners may not be able to attend Mass on a regular basis. Because of this, live-streaming of Mass will continue for those not yet able to attend at their parish. Find live-streamed celebrations posted at https://saskatoonmass.com

“Each one of us is called to be faithful and caring members of the Body of Christ as we expand activities in our parishes.” - Bishop Hagemoen

Watch for further updates at https://rcdos.ca and in news items posted at Catholic Saskatoon News online at https://news.rcdos.ca

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Bishop Mark Hagemoen is calling for Fridays to be a day of prayer and fasting in our diocese. The initiative includes a prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and a “Heart of Jesus” campaign of Thanksgiving for all who are providing care and services during the pandemic.

Find information and resources at: https://rcdos.ca/heart-of-jesus

Please remember your parish offering during these difficult COVID-19 times.

Prayer and outreach continues in our parishes, though modified by the need to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus. However, after many weeks without Sunday collections, many of our parishes are struggling to meet expenses — please remember your parish at this difficult time. Give online at: https://dscf.ca/parish-offertory

You are able to direct your gift to your own parish at this website, or find more information about other ways to give. For more information contact Cathy Gilje at (306) 659-6851 or cgilje@dscf.ca.
Catholic Hospital Chaplaincy: During the COVID-19 crisis, patients can still receive pastoral visits from designated denominational chaplains under some circumstances. To request a visit for yourself or a loved one at Saskatoon hospitals, please contact Jackie Garetsky at (306) 202-5531 or Fr. Rhéal Bussière at (306) 371-7125. Hospital Chaplaincy is supported by your gifts to the Bishop’s Annual Appeal.

Catholic Education Week May 17-24 – Catholic school divisions within the province of Saskatchewan celebrated Catholic Education Week as part of the remote learning environment schools are living in during COVID-19 times. The week was filled with this year’s theme, Igniting Hope. A World Catholic Education Day liturgy led by Archbishop Bolen May 21 can be viewed on the website of Resurrection Parish in Regina: https://livestream.com/accounts/17694656

Catholic school registration for the 2020-2021 school year: Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools is accepting registrations for the 2020-2021 school year. Faith and learning go hand-in-hand at our warm, welcoming schools. Whether you have a child going to school for the first time, or a student making the transition to high school, or you just want what Catholic education offers, you are welcome to contact your local Catholic school if you have questions (we are not able to welcome you into our schools to meet teachers at this time). Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten programs are available for children 3, 4 or 5 years old. For a list of schools and contact information, visit www.gecs.ca/schools

Help to feed the hungry: St. Philip Neri Parish, 1902 Munro Avenue, Saskatoon, has a drop-off for foods and other items for the Friendship Inn and the Food Bank. The outside church door is open Monday to Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is a table inside for all donations. Thank you for your generosity.

Web series on Saskatchewan’s response to climate change: Caring Sustainably for Saskatchewan Collaboration presents “Response to Climate Change: Present Practices and Opportunities,” a web series at 12 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays until June 16. The presentations will run until 1 p.m., with additional time for questions until 1:30 p.m. The focus of this free web series is on how to address climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Saskatchewan, in the Saskatchewan area, and on farms. The webinars will be streamed live on Facebook and also via Zoom (Pre-register at: http://environmentalsociety.ca/events/2020-webinar-series). For more information visit the website of the Saskatchewan Environmental Society (environmentalsociety.ca) or e-mail info@environmentalsociety.ca or the diocesan coordinator of Justice and Peace, Myron Rogal, at mrogal@rcdos.ca

Growing God’s Kingdom in a Material World - Stewardship Through New Eyes: Register for a free series of ecumenical webinars on stewardship held at 3 p.m. Thursdays. Schedule: May 28 "Growing the stewardship garden" with Fr. John Weekend; June 4 "Relational giving" with Susan Graham Walker and others; June 11 "Legacy giving" with Kurtis Krug. All are welcome for one or all webinars. Free of charge. Registration is required at: https://bit.ly/3rwRjita

Priests’ Pension & Retirement Fund

Our retired priests have given their lives to us, the people of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon. They have faithfully led their parish communities, preaching God’s word and celebrating the sacraments. We are blessed to have these dedicated and holy priests among us, and the blessings continue to this day. During the COVID-19 pandemic, our senior priests may be among the most vulnerable of all. We ask that you consider a gift to the Priests’ Pension and Retirement Fund to support our retired priests.

Make your gift online at https://dsdc.ca/priest-pension-fund or download a printable form and send with your credit card or direct debit gift to:

Priests’ Pension and Retirement Fund,
Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation,
123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon SK S7S 1H1.
(Gifts of cheques may also be sent to this address.)
Thank you for your support of our retired priests!!

St Angela Merici Residence is seeking a compassionate and experienced caregiver for casual day and evening shifts.
Requirements: Personal Support Worker’s certificate. First-Aid/CPR, and clear Vulnerable Sector Criminal Record Check, as well as a heart for serving seniors with dignity and patience.
Send resume to Shannon Granger at stangmerci@sasktel.net

St Angela Merici Residence is accepting residents for personal care. Women and men, individuals and couples are welcome. This personal care home offers varying levels of support by caring and compassionate 24-hour staff. The space is large, clean, quiet and filled with the Spirit. Meals are made fresh in house. Call Shannon Granger at (306) 242-5666, Ext. 5 or e-mail stangmerci@sasktel.net for more information.

Diocesan Prayer - We pray as a diocesan family for all those waiting to be initiated into the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist – may the Spirit of Truth continue to help them grow in faith and loving service.

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