



# St. Mary's School

*Together we grow in Faith, Hope and Love.*

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*Christ the Teacher Catholic  
School Division #212*  
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**DECEMBER 2025**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :

Dear St. Mary's Families,

Advent is a time for waiting and preparation. The 4 weeks give us time to reflect on the themes of *Hope, Peace, Joy and Love*. Please join us on Mondays in December when classrooms lead Gospel assemblies for each week's theme. It's important for our students to understand the real meaning of Christmas and how Christ's birth is at the centre of it all. May this season inspire us to reflect on His light and share it with one another in kindness and joy.

Thank you to the Royal Canadian Legion members and Yorkton Fire Protective Service who joined us for our Remembrance Day service. It means so much more when we hear and see the officers that worked so hard to keep our country in peace.

Thank you to Father Basil for leading the service to remember the tragedy of Holodomor and helping us to send prayers to Ukrainian people still facing many conflicts.

We'd like to send a warm blessing and good-bye to Mrs. Villeneuve from the kitchen. She has been at St. Mary's for 19 years and we wish her the best in her move and new community. Welcome to Mrs. Cantiveros who is our new Nutrition Worker!

Wishing you joyful anticipation of Christmas,  
Mrs. Klemetski

**Don't miss school information or  
upcoming events  
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FROM THE SCHOOL  
Just text YES to 978338**

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**Just send "Y"  
or "Yes" to  
978338**

## Christmas Concert Celebration

**Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2025,  
at 6:30 p.m.**

We invite all the families to gather as  
a school community to celebrate the  
Advent & Christmas seasons.

Students are asked to be at St.  
Mary's School no earlier than  
**6:00 p.m.** and no later than **6:15 p.m.**

Come and celebrate with us!



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## Dates to Remember:

Dec.2	SCC meeting 4:30pm
Dec.3	Christmas Concert at 6:30 pm
Dec.4	Mom's Pantry SCC Fundraiser orders due
Dec.8	SCC Mom's Pantry Fundraiser <b>online</b> orders due
Dec.17	Winter Fest
Dec.19	Gr 5&6 / 7&8 Ski Trip to Asessippi
Dec. 22-Jan.5	<b>NO SCHOOL Christmas Break</b>
Jan.6	<b>Classes Resume for (Pre-K, Grade 1-8)</b>

# Lifetouch

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## YORKTON FOOD RESOURCES:

**Salvation Army Food Bank**- 78 Front St. Yorkton in Parkland Community Church, Tuesday/Thursday 10-2, tel. no. 306-783-4650

**Bruno's Place** -139 Dominion Ave. open 24 hours, breakfast Mon-Fri 8-9:30 a.m., Lunch Tuesday/ Thursday 12-1 pm tel. no. 306-782-7866

**Yorkton Community Fridge** – 345 Broadway St. West, in the SIGN parking lot, open 24/7, take what you need, leave what you can

**Yorkton Dream Centre**- 244 Myrtle Ave., FREE soup and a bun community meal each Wednesday at 5pm

## COLD WEATHER GUIDELINES

(including wind chill factor)  
The following guidelines apply to cold weather days:

**Temperatures of -29 and above:** Students are expected to be outdoors at recess.

**Temperatures of -30 to -35:** Students are encouraged to get fresh air, however, going outside is optional.

**Temperatures of -36 and below:** students will NOT be allowed outdoors.



## BAND:

### Band Classes:

- Day 4 (pm) Day 6 (pm)

Wed. Dec. 10, **7:30 AM** Gr. 7/8 set up stage; 8 AM Gr. 7/8 Full Band

- 6:40 PM all grades arrive for concert
- Band Christmas concert 7 PM @ Sacred Heart Theatre

Jan. 8 Full Band resumes

Jan. 15: Deadline to ask Mrs. Karapita for festival music (if you would like your child would like to do a solo/duet/trio in the Yorkton Music Festival)

**Come play with us**  
Basketball Saskatchewan & Canada Basketball have partnered with your community to introduce basketball to children grades 1-6

Practices begin Sunday Jan 11th

Locations and Times TBD

Grade 1&2 Mixed

Grade 3&4 Girls and Boys

Grade 5&6 Girls and Boys

Tournament in Yorkton for grades 3 - 6 in April

### PLAYERS receive

- Reversible Jersey
- Shoe bag & water bottle

### Players provide

- size 5 basketball

### Cost

- \$75 no basketball
- \$85 with basketball

**COACHES** are needed, please volunteer.

Coaches receive:

- Practice plans
- Shirt
- Whistle

Register at [basketballsask.com](http://basketballsask.com)

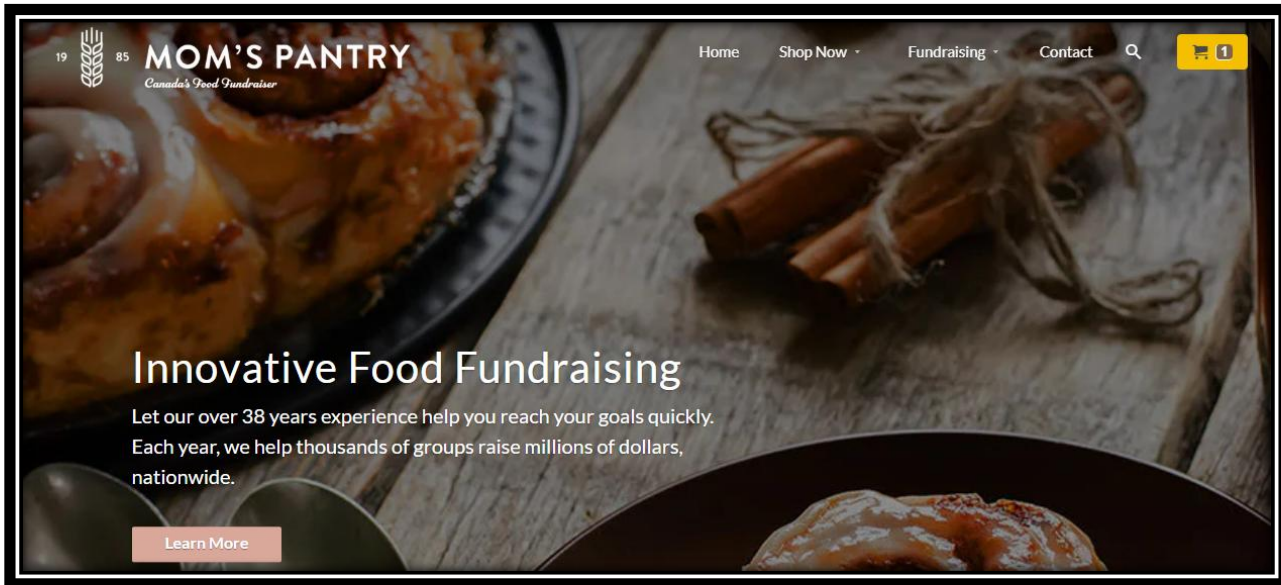
Registration closes Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 2025  
late fee of \$10 between Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>-Jan 8<sup>th</sup> as space allows



Yorkton Coordinator  
Chad McDowell  
[yorktonbasketball@yahoo.com](mailto:yorktonbasketball@yahoo.com)



# Support our SCC Fundraising



Orders due on Thursday, Dec.4,2025

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L. Klemetski – Principal

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## St. Mary's MOM'S PANTRY Foods Fundraiser

Mom's Pantry offers everything from raw ingredients and spices for cooking and baking, to prepared frozen food for fast and easy use.

### Instructions:

1. Ask you family, friends and neighbours if they would like to order some products from our school fundraiser.
  - a. Each person fills out a separate form and pays cash or cheque (payable to Christ the Teacher # 212) **OR**
  - b. Online ordering
    - i. Add items to your cart
    - ii. On checkout, enter the Order Number and Group Passcode below, along with the Seller's Name.
    - iii. Complete Payment
    - iv. Group Name: St. Mary's School SCC
    - v. Order Number: 412224
    - vi. Group Passcode: 22727
2. All orders due back or online by Thursday, December 4, 2025
3. Pick up your products from the school. Products will be delivered before Christmas. Watch our Facebook page (St. Mary's School Yorkton) and emails for updates.

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### The project includes:

- Resurface the old court with new asphalt
- New basketball nets
- Better lighting for the court

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We are looking for sponsorship and donations to help raise \$50,000.

# ONLINE orders due on Monday, Dec.8,2025



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## Early Childhood Celebration **Build a Furry Friend** **Pet Adoption Theme**

Do you have a child aged 3-5 who hasn't started Kindergarten yet? Join us for a heartwarming event where your little one can build and adopt their very own furry friend!



Scan the QR code to register!

Date: Monday, January 19, 2026

Time: 1:00-2:30pm

Location: Yorkton

St. Mary's School Gym



This is for Christ the Teacher School Division families.

Please arrive at 1:00 pm, so you don't miss any of the fun!

♥ Adopt ● Name ● Play ● Learn!



Stuff and adopt their own furry friend



Enjoy a story, music & movement activities



Visit various learning stations



Learn about kindness feelings and empathy

Our fun, educational, and interactive stations help children develop the skills needed for a successful school experience while celebrating caring for animals and each other!

Parents/Caregivers must attend with their child.



## *Down hill Ski Trip*

*Date : Friday, Dec.19, 2025*

*Location : Asessippi Ski Resort , Russell, Manitoba*

*Departure Time : 8:00 a.m (from St. Mary's to Assessippi)*

*Grade : 5-8*

*Cost per Student : \$40.00*

*We will be sending a consent form for this activity, make sure to fill out the form properly.*

*Please pay to the office thru Mrs. Dominguez*



## *All aboard the Holiday Train!*

The CPKC Holiday Train is rolling into Yorkton on Saturday, December 6, 2025

Time: 12:15-12:45 p.m.

Location: Livingston Street & 4 Avenue S

Musical Guests: Jade Eagleson and Teigen Gayse

Bring non-perishable food items or make a cash donation to support our local food bank.

Keep the celebration going at the Yorkton Christmas Market at the Godfrey Dean Art Gallery, open from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.

*Want to know more?*

Visit [yorkton.ca/HolidayTrain](http://yorkton.ca/HolidayTrain)





# Santa Photos

**PARKLAND MALL**  
**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 28 4PM-8PM**  
**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 29 12PM-4PM**

**FRIDAY DEC 5 4PM-8PM**  
**SATURDAY DEC 6 12PM-4PM**

**FRIDAY DEC 12 4PM-8PM**  
**SATURDAY DEC 13 12PM-4PM**

**FRIDAY DEC 19 4PM-8PM**  
**SATURDAY DEC 20 12PM-4PM**

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# MERRY CHRISTMAS





## The Gloria Hayden Community Centre is Open for the Season

We're excited to welcome everyone back to the Gloria Hayden Community Centre (GHCC). Located at 279 Morrison Drive, the GHCC is Yorkton's hub for fun, fitness and community connection.

### Features:

- A full size gym with hardwood floors
- Two indoor courts for racquetball, squash and wallyball
- An [indoor walking track](#)

[Drop in sports](#) are back and better than ever! Come out for basketball, badminton, pickleball, cricket and more! Check out our exciting new programs, including:

- Youth pickleball
- Late night floor hockey
- Dodgeball

## Noon Year's Eve



Join us for a fun, family friendly way to ring in 2026! Noon Year's Eve at the Gallagher Centre

December 31st from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Gallagher Centre Flexihall with the countdown

Monetary Noon Year's Eve is a FREE event for the whole family!

Join our event on Facebook for updates!



## Community Services:



## We're Back on the Ice at the Kinsmen Arena!

After months of renovations, the arena is ready for action! Thank you to everyone for your patience and support during the upgrades. We're proud of the results and can't wait to welcome everyone back for a great season.

### Thank you to those who made it possible:

- Alton Tangedal Architect Ltd., PCL Construction, and all the sub-contractors and trades who worked tirelessly over the past 10 months.
- The City's project team — including project managers, facility managers, and staff who guided this from start to finish.
- The Kinsmen Club of Yorkton for their generous contribution toward the new arena boards.
- The Kinsmen Arena staff for their incredible effort this past week preparing the ice.
- And of course, the hockey community, Yorkton Minor Hockey, and Yorkton residents for your feedback, questions, and enthusiasm along the way.



## Play it forward, Yorkton!

The City of Yorkton, in partnership with community organizations, is helping young athletes by providing access to essential sports gear. Located at the Gallagher Centre, the Yorkton Sports Bank collects and distributes new and used sports equipment at no cost to the community.

### Need gear to get started in fall hockey programs?

We're well stocked up with hockey equipment! Visit the **Sports Bank** by appointment: Book with the **District Dream Broker** at [www.yorkton.ca/sportsbank](http://www.yorkton.ca/sportsbank) or at 306-828-2401.

- **Give your old gear a second life!** Drop off your unused equipment in the marked red bin at the [Gallagher Centre](#) or [BGC Yorkton](#).



## ST. MARY'S CRUSADER OF THE WEEK

A crusader is a person who makes a determined effort to achieve something that they believe to be right or to stop something they believe to be wrong.

### Crusaders

#### Ryder G.

**Virtue-** helpfulness

**Action-** immediately clean up the coffee spillage without being told.

#### Kingston M.

**Virtue-** Helpful&hardworking

**Action-** organized equipt.room /reading leveling up

#### AreaBree

**Virtue-** Stewardship

**Action-** Environmental Club participation

#### Emil

**Virtue-** Helpful

**Action-** helped teacher find the scary word

#### Sophia S.

**Virtue-** Toonies for terry

**Action-** Seller responsible

#### Kirby

**Virtue-** Sharing

**Action-** shared ½ his ice cream with Roman

#### Kylie

**Virtue-** hardworking, stewardship

**Action-** reading leveling up , environment club stewardship

#### Richmond

**Virtue-** helpfulness

**Action-** helped distribute all chairs

#### Kingsley

**Virtue-** honesty

**Action-** brought back Ryker's ball from recess

#### Cassadee

**Virtue-** Most Dedicated athlete

**Action-** continues herself to run after school,in preparation for the district meet

#### Christabel

**Virtue-** Toonies for Terry

**Action-** Seller responsible

#### Anisha

**Virtue-** caring for school

**Action-** picked up dry leaves on floor In the hallway

#### James C.

**Virtue-** empathy

**Action-** approached frie4nd who was feeling down and invited her to ride on his gym bike

### **St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church First Solemn Holy Communion & Reconciliation Classes**

Children in Grade 2 or higher are invited for First Communion and Reconciliation classes. 10 classes will be held after Christmas during Liturgy on Saturday evenings or Sunday mornings. Contact Fr. Basil or Mrs. Lana Klemetski 306 621 6626 with your child's name and your contact information.



### **St. Gerard's Roman Catholic Church**

Parish Reconciliation:

Advent - Tuesday, December 9 at 7pm

First Reconciliation Celebration -

Thursday, December 11 6/6:30pm.

Lent - Tuesday, March 17 at 7pm

### **St. Gerard's Roman Catholic Church**

Father Sathi Antony

125 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue North

Phone: 306-782-2449 Fax: 306-782-8566

[www.stgerard.ca/](http://www.stgerard.ca/) email add: office@stgerard.ca

Saturday Mass: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday Mass: 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.



### **December 2025 Weekend and Christmas Schedule for St. Mary's Church Yorkton**

**Saturday December 6:** 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy for feast of St Nicholas;

5 p.m. Divine Liturgy

- **Sunday December 7:** 11:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
- **Saturday December 13:** 5 p.m. Divine Liturgy
- **Sunday December 14:** 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy
- **Saturday December 20:** 5 p.m. Divine Liturgy
- **Sunday December 21:** 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy
- **Wednesday December 24:** 8 p.m. Christmas Service
- **Saturday December 27:** 5 p.m. Divine Liturgy
- **Sunday December 28:** 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy

### **St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church** Father Basil Malowany, Administrator-Pastor

155 Catherine Street

Phone: 306-783-4594 Fax: 306-782-4214

[www.stmarysyorkton.com](http://www.stmarysyorkton.com)

Saturday Divine Liturgy: 5:00 P.M. (English)

Sunday Divine Liturgy:

9:00 A.M. (English & Ukrainian)