



## **Special Event**

**St. Cecilia Parish is hosting an informal gathering with Father James Mallon, developer and presenter of Catholicism 201.**

**Sunday, April 19 at 7 pm.**

**We are very fortunate to have Father James take the time for this evening while he is in Regina.**

**Plan to attend. Your presence will be a great example of the St. Cecilia community support and spirit.**

Our parish recently offered the Catholicism 201 series with a very positive response.

Father is in Regina April 17 and 18 for a provincial Alpha Conference at Living Hope Alliance Church.

On Monday, April 20, he will speak to Regina Archdiocese priests about Alpha and Catholicism 201.

Fr. James Mallon is a priest of the Archdiocese of Halifax. and Pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas/Canadian Martyrs Parish in Halifax, Nova Scotia. He is the creator and host of Catholicism 201, a video series to educate and involve Catholics in various topics of their faith, such as the Church, Sacraments, Mary and the Saints. He designed the series as a follow-up for the Alpha course in a Catholic context.

Being a priest was the last thing he ever thought he'd do. He was studying Biochemistry at Dalhousie University when he felt God's call on Easter Sunday, 1988. He fought it for about a year, eventually studied for the priesthood and was ordained in 1997.

Now at age 39, Father Mallon has been running Alpha and Catholicism 201 for eight years. He sees offering the Alpha course and Catholicism 201 as a complete package from a Catholic perspective. Most Catholic parishes run RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) programs for adults who want to be baptized or want to become Catholics. His RCIA program is Alpha and Catholicism 201.