



Friday Facts

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FROM THE ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

ENDING OF THE YEAR OF MERCY: We will celebrate Solemn Vespers to mark the close of the Year of Mercy at Notre Dame Cathedral on **Sat., Nov. 19, 7:00 p.m.** All are invited to attend.

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

PRESBYTERAL ORDINATION OF LUCIEN CAMPEAU: At paroisse Saint-Pierre-Apôtre, Hawkesbury on **Fri., Nov. 25, 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome. First Mass on **Sat., Nov. 26, 4:00 p.m.**

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS & DEACON BANQUET DATE CHANGES: Please note the following changes to the 2016-2017 Pastoral Calendar. The Wedding Anniversary Mass has been moved to **Sunday, May 14, 2017, 2:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral. The Deacons' Banquet has been moved to **June 10, 2017.**

MPAC EVALUATION FOR CHURCH AND RECTORY: Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) has recently sent updated property value assessments for your properties. Please verify the assessment to ensure the current priest is named as the occupant and that the school taxes are being directed to the appropriate school board. Should changes be required to direct taxes to the Separate (Catholic) School Board, please contact the tax department at the appropriate school board and request the change be made. This must be done prior to December 31, 2016 in order to take effect for the 2017 calendar year. English Parishes should contact the *Ottawa Catholic School Board* or the *Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario*. Info: (613-735-5025, ext. 265).

PRAYERS: For the repose of the soul of John Penney, brother of Fr. Bill Penney, pastor of Our Lady of the Visitation Parish, Gloucester. Mr. Penney died suddenly in Toronto last week, at the age of 65. Please pray for him and his family.

PRAYERS: For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Jeanine Renaud, the mother of Lise Bourgeois, wife of Deacon Gary Bourgeois. Mrs. Renaud died November 13 at her home in Ottawa. The Funeral was held at Resurrection of Our Lord Parish on November 17. Please pray for her and her family.

FOR PRIESTS

ST. JOSEPH ECCLESIASTICAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS: For all incardinated priests. At the Diocesan Centre, 1247 Kilborn, **Fri., Nov. 25, 10:30 a.m.**, followed by lunch. Please RSVP your presence or absence to Joanne Mineault, Diocesan Administration (centre@archottawa.ca); (613-738-5025 x244). The Society, through its Board of

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mercy and joy.

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
peace..." (Galatians 5.22)

PASTORAL CALENDAR 2016-17

<http://www.catholicottawa.ca/pastoral-calendar>

Events to Note

Nov. 19, 7:00 p.m. – Solemn Vespers for the closing of the Year of Mercy

Nov. 19 – FOCUS Training

Nov. 25 – Presbyteral Ordination of Lucien Campeau

Submitting a notice for the Friday Fax

- ✓ please ensure all notices include contact details
- ✓ ideally notices should be sent 3 weeks before event date
- ✓ weekly deadline for FF is **Wednesday noon**
- ✓ contact info (abrown@ArchOttawa.ca)

Previous Issues of the FF:
(<http://www.catholicottawa.ca/news-from-pastoral-services-friday-fax>)

Directors, supervises the Clergy Pension Fund and the Compensation Fund. The Compensation Fund assists those priests who have a particular or special need which is not covered by any other fund or insurance provided through the diocese. As all members of the Board continue to serve a current mandate, we do not anticipate the election of any new members this year. We count on your presence. **To RSVP or if you are unable to attend (and will give a proxy to another member), please contact Joanne Mineault (centre@archottawa.ca); (613-738-5025 x244).**

VOCATIONS

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Second Sunday of Advent - December 4. For all those chosen by Christ to "prepare the way of the Lord" in their hearts and in the hearts of His people as priests, deacons, brothers and sisters, we pray to the Lord.

FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS – www.fymottawa.com

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: If you have the possibility to make your marriage better...where you and your spouse could deepen your love, would you take the chance? Next Ottawa area weekend: **Jan. 20-22, 2017.** Places are limited. More info or to register: Kathleen & Guy Séguin (613-800-0866); (kgseguin@gmail.com) by Dec. 20. General info: (<http://www.wwme.org/>).

WORKSHOP: ANGER – STOP THE PATTERN: At Serenity Renewal for Families, **Sat., Dec. 3.** Facilitators: Wally Clare and Sister Louise Dunn. This workshop will focus on the sources of anger, how to stop the destructive pattern and how to deal with the damage done to families and relationships. [Register now.](#) Serenity Renewal for Families provides hope and support to individuals and families affected by addiction and addiction-related issues.

WORKSHOP: RESENTMENT – FINDING FREEDOM: At Serenity Renewal for Families, **Sat., Dec. 10.** Facilitators: Wally Clare and Sister Louise Dunn. This workshop will look at the relationship between anger, fear, shame and resentment; identify specific resentments and the source of the wound or hurt at the root of our resentment; and participate in an exercise to let go of a specific resentment, helping to understand how to let go of all resentments. [Register now.](#) Serenity Renewal for Families provides hope and support to individuals and families affected by addiction and addiction-related issues.

EWTN CANADA FAMILY CELEBRATION IN OTTAWA, APRIL 1, 2017: A time of prayer, refreshments, and planning to promote the Ottawa Family Celebration. **Sat., Dec. 3** at Good Shepherd Parish, 3092 Innes Rd, Gloucester for Adoration and Confession, 8:00 – 9:00 a.m., followed by First Saturday Mass at 9:00 a.m.; refreshments following. An opportunity to learn more about the EWTN one-day Family Celebration in Ottawa. All are welcome. RSVP by Mon., Nov. 28 to Sarah Escobar, Regional Marketing Manager of Canada (sescobar@ewtn.com); (613-915-0972).

FROM THE CCCB

JOINT ECUMENICAL AND INTERFAITH LETTER TO CANADIAN DELEGATES AT COP22 CLIMATE CHANGE MEETING: The Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton and President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, has signed a joint ecumenical and interfaith letter that conveys prayers and support for the Canadian participants at the 22nd session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP22) taking place in Marrakech, Morocco, Nov. 7-18, 2016. In their letter, the religious leaders state that "religions can truly contribute to building up a safer, healthier and more just society. We thus take to heart this Conference's deliberations and wish to applaud all the conscientious and selfless efforts that are being made on behalf of the world community, the good of every human person, and the gift of creation itself." [Read more...](#)

POPE FRANCIS RECEIVES CCCB PRESIDENCY IN PRIVATE AUDIENCE: On November 10, 2016, Pope Francis received in a private audience the delegation from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops: the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton and CCCB President, the Most Reverend Lionel Gendron, P.S.S., Bishop of Saint-Jean-Longueuil and CCCB Vice President, together with Msgr. Frank Leo, Jr., C.S.S., CCCB General Secretary. The CCCB Presidency is in Rome until November 16 for its annual visit with a number of dicasteries of the Holy See. [Read more...](#)

CCCB OFFICE FOR EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS ISSUES ITS FALL EDITIONS OF 'ON GOOD SOIL' AND 'ENCOUNTER':

The newsletters are available on the webpage for the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at <http://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/office-for-evangelization-and-catechesis>. [Link to the newsletter On the Good Soil](#) (PDF). [Link to the newsletter Encounter](#) (PDF)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOLY FATHER ON THE OCCASION OF THE WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2017:

Celebrated on January 15, 2017, the theme is "Child Migrants, the Vulnerable and Voiceless". The text is available on the Pontifical Council's website at (<http://www.pcmigrants.org/documenti%20migranti/GMMR%202017%20en.htm>).

RESOURCES FOR 2017 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated around the world **January 18 - 25, 2017**, on the theme *Reconciliation – The Love of Christ Compels Us* (2 *Corinthians 5:14-20*). The resources for Canada were produced by an ecumenical writing team coordinated by the Commission on Faith and Witness of the Canadian Council of Churches, in collaboration with the Canadian Centre for Ecumenism in Montreal and the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism in Saskatoon. [Link to Canadian resources on the website of the Canadian Council of Churches](#); [Link to international version of the resources](#)

PRO-LIFE

ACTION LIFE OTTAWA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Featuring guest speaker Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition & screening of 'The Euthanasia Deception'. Ben Franklin Place, Chambers Room 101 Centrepointe Dr. **Mon., Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m.** Info: (613-798-4494); (info@actionlife.org).

CANADIAN FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC PHYSICIANS'SOCIETIES: Purpose is to promote, through educational activities and other means, the teaching of the Magisterium of the Roman Catholic Church as applied to the practice and the provision of health care; to contribute to the development of public policy in relation to medical ethics and health care, in accordance with the dignity and worth of human life; to support the growth and foster the creation of Catholic Physicians' Associations, Guilds and Societies in Canada. Resources: (<http://canadiancatholicphysicians.com/>).

COALITION FOR HEALTHCARE AND CONSCIENCE: In Canada, everyone has the right to their faith and their conscience. With physician-assisted suicide now legal in Canada, many healthcare practitioners and facilities are in a compromised position. Those who cannot support assisted suicide or euthanasia because of their conscience, faith, or commitment to the Hippocratic Oath could be forced to compromise their convictions. They shouldn't have to. This coalition stands opposed to assisted suicide. Now that the federal government has passed a law that will legalize assisted suicide, help is needed to ensure Canadian's faith and conscience rights are protected. (<http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/>).

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION – COP22: The International Climate Conference (COP22) took place this past week in Marrakech, Morocco. In a letter to the President of the Conference, Pope Francis encouraged all participants to continue with the "same collaborative and constructive spirit" that led to the Paris Climate Agreement. He noted that there are "complex aspects ...which require continual political support and encouragement, based on the recognition that we are one single human family." Let us pray for our world leaders, who through implementation of the climate agreement, promote a culture of care that respects "all humanity, especially the poorest and the future generations, who represent the most vulnerable component of the troubling impact of climate change."

FAITH FORMATION

FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING TALK SERIES: St. Theresa Parish, 95 Somerset St. West, presents Keith and Peggy Doucette on behalf of the John Paul II Centre for Divine Mercy to share the message of Mercy on Sun., Nov. 20 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome. Info: (613-235-5119).

OTTAWA CURSILLO MOVEMENT GRAND ULTREYA: At St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Rd., **Wed., Dec. 7.** Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by talks and fellowship. All are welcome. Further info: Joy and Dick Hudson (613-226-6969).

PARISH INFO, EVENTS & SOCIALS

SAGRADA FAMILIA PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: At 152 Glenora St., Ottawa, on **Sun., Nov. 20, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** Enjoy crafts, baked goods and more. If you want to sell your own goods, please call the office and reserve your table for \$25. Come and enjoy the Latino flavour. Info: (613-569-0449).

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND LUNCH: Basement of St-Rémi Parish, 2921 Dumaaurier Ave., **Sun., Nov. 20, 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** Crafts, stocking stuffers, unique gifts, miscellaneous kiosks, canteen, bake sale, raffles, draws and much more. Info: Simone (613-599-5489) or Anik (613-899-6817). Sponsored by the future chapter of Daughters of Isabella, St. Remi Parish.

CONCERT WITH THE 'SINGING PRIESTS OF TAGBILARAN': At Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, **Wed., Nov. 30, 7:00 p.m.** Tickets: Assumption Parish Office (613-746-8503).

JOIN US TO SHARE IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS: Singers and musicians from St. Bernard, Holy Cross, Resurrection and St. Peters parishes are planning an evening of Christmas music. **Fri., Dec. 2, 7:00 p.m.** at Holy Cross Church. Admission is free. Donations to support the Ottawa South St. Vincent de Paul. Info: (613-738-1943).

ST. ELIZABETH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary at St. Elizabeth Church, 1303 Leaside Ave. on **Sat., Dec. 3, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** in the parish hall. The Ladies will be selling knitted and crocheted goods, crafts, white elephant tables, baked goods, Christmas cakes and more. Chili or soup lunch served with a roll and coffee or tea for \$5. Info: (613-725-2242); (st.elizabethparish@rogers.com).

BAZAAR AT NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL: Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 13781 of Notre Dame Cathedral. **Sun., Dec. 4,** after all Masses. Donated articles to be delivered Dec. 3; proceeds towards the Knights of Columbus Charities. Unsold articles will be disposed of by the Knights. Tables also available to rent; \$15 each; all proceeds from your table are yours to keep. Info: Hubert Gervais (h.gervais14@gmail.com); (613-323-4411).

RETREATS

ST. ELIZABETH ADVENT RETREAT: *Word - Song - Silence* on four Monday evenings in Advent with Anne Hurley and Kathy McGee starting on **Mon., Nov. 28,** and continuing **Dec. 5, Dec. 12, and Dec. 19, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.** in the church at 1303 Leaside Avenue. Free will offering. Info: (613-725-2242); (st.elizabethparish@rogers.com).

PILRIMAGES & TOURS

SCOTLAND & IRELAND TOUR: Join Father Bill Penney, **Sept. 10-22, 2017.** Edinburgh, Inverness, Ballachulish, Belfast, Northern Ireland, Dublin. Info: Fr Bill (613-822-3836) or (gateway.gocollette.com).

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

WAUPOOS FARM: A Catholic ministry to the poor. Looking for a new resident family to move in this summer for a 2-3 year commitment. If you would like to learn more about becoming a farm family and what it means to live our 'Pray, Work, and Play' motto, contact the office at (613-822-2189) for an info package or visit (www.waupoos.com).