



## Friday Facts

Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office  
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May 6, 2016

### FROM THE ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

**DIOCESAN FEAST DAY:** Each year we joyfully gather around our archbishop to celebrate and give thanks for the foundation of the diocese of Bytown on June 25, 1847 and the anniversary of its elevation to an archdiocese on June 8, 1886. The celebration this year will take place at Notre Dame Cathedral on **Thurs., June 9, 7:30 p.m.** Details have been sent to parishes. All are most welcome to attend.

**DIACONATE CELEBRATION:** In appreciation for the faithful ministry of our deacons. Sat., May 28. Details have been sent by mail. **RSVP by May 20** (613-738-5025, ext. 217); ([abrown@archottawa.ca](mailto:abrown@archottawa.ca)).

**ORDINATION TO THE PRESBYTERATE:** Archbishop Prendergast will ordain to the presbyterate Deacon Tavis Goski on **Fri., June 3, 7:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral. All are welcome.

### FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

**PRAYERS FOR FORT McMURRAY RESIDENTS & EMERGENCY PERSONNEL:** Please continue to pray for the residents of Fort McMurray and the other communities evacuated away from the wildfires in Alberta. Also remember the emergency personnel who remain in the area to fight these fires. Archbishop Richard Smith, Archdiocese of Edmonton states, "At this time, it is so important that we lift up urgent prayers for our sisters and brothers in the Diocese of St. Paul".

**PASTORAL DAY:** For priests, deacons, parish staff, chaplaincy leaders and members of Parish Pastoral Councils. A discussion on the pastoral implications of the proposed new legislation on euthanasia & assisted suicide with experts working in healthcare and pastoral care in hospitals. **Thurs., May 19, 9:30 a.m.** Session for priests & deacons only, after lunch. Lunch from Lone Star: \$15. **RSVP for lunch by May 13:** ([thurley@ArchOttawa.ca](mailto:thurley@ArchOttawa.ca)); (613-738-5025 ext. 231).

**MESSAGE FOR CLERGY – STEUBENVILLE TORONTO:** On **July 22 - 24**, there will be two busloads of youth going to Steubenville Toronto. Bishop Christian will attend the conference. If you are clergy and would like to attend with the Archdiocese, please contact Sophia Korban (613-738-5025 x222); ([skorban@archottawa.ca](mailto:skorban@archottawa.ca)).

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS PHOTOGRAPHS:** The photos taken at the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass are now available for download at : <https://www.flickr.com/photos/132971279@N02/albums/72157667952091305>.

**PRAYERS:** For the repose of the soul of Ann Sabadoz, (née Rafter), mother-in-law of Fr. Kipling Cooper, Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter. Mrs. Sabadoz died April 19, 2016 in her 95<sup>th</sup> year. The Funeral Mass was celebrated at Notre Dame du Portage, Kenora. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

**PRAYERS:** For the repose of the soul of Mr. Jose Ramon Rivas Parodi, brother of Deacon Eduardo Rivas, Pastoral Assistant at St. Anthony of Padua Parish and in Ministry to the Spanish Community. Mr. Rivas Parodi died in Ottawa on April 29, 2016 in his 61<sup>st</sup> year. The Funeral Mass was at Sagrada Familia Catholic Church on May 3. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

The family, home of  
love and mercy.  
"Be merciful, just as your Father  
is merciful" (Luke 6.36)

### PASTORAL CALENDAR 2015-2016

Available online at:

<http://www.catholicottawa.ca>

#### Dates to Note

**May 12** – March for Life

**May 19** – Pastoral Day

**May 28** – Diaconate Celebration

**June 9** – Diocesan Feast Day

#### 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**

#### How parishes can benefit most from the Friday Fax

- ✓ make a note of important dates in the parish & priest calendars
- ✓ skim the FF – the sub-headings are used to assist you in finding the info you may find helpful
- ✓ 'cut & paste' items of interest and important notices into your parish bulletin
- ✓ print and keep the FF in a binder, for future reference
- ✓ feel free to post, print, distribute and forward

**PRAYERS:** For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Caroline Josephine Heffernan (née Roche), wife of the late Deacon James J. Heffernan who died in 2010. Mrs. Heffernan died on May 1, 2016 at the age of 82. Visitation at Kelly Funeral Home, 2313 Carling Ave., **Thurs., May 5, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** Funeral Mass on **Fri., May 6, 11:00 a.m.** at St. John the Apostle, 2340 Baseline Rd. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

**PRAYERS:** For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Margaret Dorner, mother of John Dorner, Diocesan Environmental Stewardship. Mrs. Dorner died May 1, 2016. Visitation at St. Joseph Parish, 174 Wilbrod St., **Mon., May 9, 9:00 a.m.** prior to 10:00 a.m. Funeral Mass. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

**PRAYERS:** For the repose of the soul of Sheila Scott, sister of Fr. Frank Scott, Pastor of St. Augustine Parish. She died on May 3, 2016 in her 71<sup>st</sup> year. A private Funeral Mass will be held. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

### **VOCATIONS**

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Pentecost Sunday - May 15. That one with the Blessed Virgin Mary, in whose company the Apostles received the Holy Spirit, those now discerning their vocations will grow in their ability to recognize the Lord's call and respond with generous hearts, we pray to the Lord.

### **FROM THE HOLY SEE**

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH IN CHINA:** In May 2007, Pope Benedict XVI asked that **May 24** be observed as a Day of Prayer for the Church in China. May 24 is the traditional Feast of Our Lady, Help of Christians.

### **FROM THE CCCB**

**CCCB BRIEF ON BILL C-14 ("medical assistance in dying") TO STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS:** As clearly stated in its [previous statements](#) on this issue, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops absolutely and categorically disagrees with any attempt at justifying or supporting a "right" to assisted suicide or euthanasia. This is based on the unchanging teaching of our Church, derived from the teaching of Christ himself, that these practices are always inherently wrong (cf. *Catechism of the Catholic Church* 2276-79; St. John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae* n. 66). For this reason, Bill C-14, which legalizes the killing of certain categories of persons, is a fundamentally unjust law. From the Catholic perspective, no amendments could legitimate the inherent evil in the premises behind the proposed legislation. [More...](#)

**LIFE AND FAMILY SUGGESTIONS FOR HOMILIES AND PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL DURING MAY 2016:** As Catholic dioceses together with family life groups across Canada prepare to celebrate the 2016 National Week for Life and the Family, May 8-15, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) again posts possible homily ideas and prayers of the faithful to help link the liturgy each Sunday with the national pastoral initiative for life and family. The suggestions for homilies and prayers can also be easily adapted for family prayer, as well as for personal prayer or for use with other groups or organizations: [Documents and activities proposed by the CCCB](#).

### **FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS**

**STEUBENVILLE TORONTO:** Encounter Christ at Steubenville Toronto, Canada's largest Catholic Youth Conference, July 22-24! Open to those entering Grade 9 through those finishing Grade 12 and chaperones (21+). Estimated cost: \$350 including bus. **Registration and payment due Mon., May 16.** Contact the Family & Youth Ministry Office for more info or to register: ([skorban@archottawa.ca](mailto:skorban@archottawa.ca)). Need more reasons to come? Check out ([steubenvilletoronto.com](http://steubenvilletoronto.com)).

**COLF – IS MY FAMILY A "SCHOOL OF MERCY"?** Every year the Church in Canada sets aside one week as a special time for prayer and reflection on life and the family. During this year of Mercy, it is particularly appropriate that we turn our attention to the privileged role of the family as the first and most important school of mercy – the place where parents sustained by God's grace, are meant to become icons of Divine Mercy. [Read more...](#)

### **PRO-LIFE**

**FACT SHEET FROM ([www.CanadiansforConscience.ca](http://www.CanadiansforConscience.ca)):** About Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide in Canada: (<http://www.catholicottawa.ca>). **What does the Catholic Church teach?** Life is a precious gift, to be cherished from the

*moment of conception to natural death. The Church fully supports the right people clearly have to accept, to refuse and/or discontinue the use of life-sustaining treatment and to allow death to occur.*

**INSERTS FOR PARISH BULLETINS:** On Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide from CanadiansforConscience.ca: (<http://www.catholicottawa.ca>).

**RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT ONE ANOTHER'S LIFE:** The teaching of the Catholic Church and the stance of the Catholic Bishops of Canada affirm the sacredness and dignity of human life. Suicide and euthanasia are contrary to the most profound natural inclination of each human being to live and preserve life. Furthermore, they contradict the fundamental responsibility that human beings have to protect one another and to enhance the quality of health and social care which every human life deserves, from conception to natural death. Learn more: ([www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca)).

**RESOURCES ON EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE NOW EASILY ACCESSIBLE:** The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has made its webpage on euthanasia and assisted suicide more accessible. [Link to the Webpage](#).

**COLF MESSAGE FOR 2016 NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE:** The Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) has released its annual message for the National March for Life, in Ottawa, **May 12, 2016**. [Link to COLF's Message](#).

**COLF MESSAGE FOR THE NATIONAL WEEK FOR LIFE AND THE FAMILY:** May 8-15, 2016. [Read the message here](#).

**THE VIGIL FOR LIFE:** Organized by the Sisters of Life. At St. Augustine Parish, 1060 Baseline Rd., **Wed., May 11**, 7:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Evening Prayer; 8:30 p.m. Benediction. Info: ([toronto@sistersoflife.org](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife.org)).

**MARCH FOR LIFE 2016:** Parliament Hill, **Thurs., May 12**. Details & further info: (<http://www.marchforlife.ca/>).

**EWTN TO COVER MARCH FOR LIFE ON PARLIAMENT HILL:** EWTN Global Catholic Network (EWTN) LIVE coverage of the March for Life, **Thurs., May 12, 11:30 a.m.** Watch it at ([www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com)). Encore airing on **Sat., May 14, 1:00 p.m.**

**PRO-LIFE MASS:** The next Mass in the pilgrimage to pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa is **Sat., May 21, 10:00 a.m.** at Holy Canadian Martyrs Parish, 100 Main Street, Ottawa. Info: (613-831-2515).

**RALLY OPPOSING EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE:** Organized by [Physicians' Alliance against Euthanasia](#) together with [Living with Dignity](#) and the [Euthanasia Prevention Coalition](#). On Parliament Hill, **Wed., June 1, 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.** Theme: *Caring, Not Killing: Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide are not the answer.*

**CANADIAN FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC PHYSICIANS' SOCIETIES' 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE:** *"In Harmony with Human Dignity – Moral Dimensions in the Practice of Medicine"*. **June 3-5** at the Elizabeth Bruyère Hospital. Open to physicians, healthcare professionals, allied health workers, and students. Details & registration by May 15: ([www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com](http://www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com)). Info: ([cds.ottawa@gmail.com](mailto:cds.ottawa@gmail.com)).

**DR. PETER KREEFT ON LIFE ISSUES – A PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES:** At the Elizabeth Bruyère Hospital, 1<sup>st</sup> floor auditorium, 43 Bruyère St. on **Sat., June 4**. *"Two Philosophies of Human Dignity in Western Culture"* at 2:30-3:30 p.m.; *"Grappling with the Meaning of Suffering Amidst Calls for Euthanasia"* at 4:00-5:00 p.m. Cost: \$10/lecture; \$20 for both sessions. Details and tickets: ([www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com](http://www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com)). Info: ([cds.ottawa@gmail.com](mailto:cds.ottawa@gmail.com)).

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP**

**MAINTENANCE, USE AND RESTORATION OF PLACES OF FAITH:** How can we best ensure adequate funding to maintain and operate our church buildings while achieving church mission? Hosted by The National Trust of Canada and Faith and Common Good at All Saints Church, 10 Blackburn Ave., **Sat., May 14, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.** Registration: \$25. Info: ([www.nationaltrustcanada.ca](http://www.nationaltrustcanada.ca)).

#### **SOCIAL JUSTICE**

**ECUADOR EARTHQUAKE – DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE PROVIDES EMERGENCY HELP:** Following the 7.8 earthquake on April 16 in Ecuador, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace – Caritas Canada has allocated an initial \$50,000 to support emergency relief efforts. [Link to the new release](#).

## **PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**CHANTED MASS:** St. George Parish, 415 Piccadilly Ave. Missa Cantata (sung Mass in the Ordinary Form) is now celebrated Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Singers, especially young adults who are interested in learning simple chant as part of this music ministry are invited to contact Tim Kennedy: ([tjkenne3@gmail.com](mailto:tjkenne3@gmail.com)).

**PENTECOST EVENING PRAYER:** At St. Basil Parish, **Sun., May 15, 7:30 p.m.** All most welcome. Info: (613-729-5149).

**SPIRITUAL MOTHERHOOD OF PRIESTS APOSTOLATE – MASS & INDUCTION CEREMONY:** At St. Maurice Parish, 4 Perry St., **Sat., May 21, 11:00 a.m.** New women professing their promises to become spiritual mothers of priests and also the renewal promises of current spiritual mothers (totalling 158 spiritual mothers). Info: (613-225-6067); (613-875-6279); ([spiritualmotherhoodottawa@gmail.com](mailto:spiritualmotherhoodottawa@gmail.com)); ([www.spiritualmotherhoodofpriests.ca](http://www.spiritualmotherhoodofpriests.ca)).

**CEMETERY MASS AT ST. CLARE MISSION, DWYER HILL:** Annual cemetery Mass on **Sun., June 5, 9:00 a.m.** St. Clare Mission is located at 4004 Dwyer Hill Rd., Dwyer Hill. Info: parish office (613-838-2314).

**CEMETERY MASS AT ST. PHILIP PARISH, RICHMOND:** Annual cemetery Mass on **Sun., June 12, 10:30 a.m.** St. Philip parish is located at 127 Burke St., Richmond. Info: parish office (613-838-2314).

## **FAITH FORMATION**

**2016 DELASALLE LECTURE:** Professor John Paul Meenan, Our Lady Seat of Wisdom will deliver a lecture entitled "Conscience, Law and Amoris Laetitia." **Tues., May 17, 7:00 p.m.** in the scavi at Saint Patrick Basilica. Admission: \$5. Proceeds to Saint Patrick Basilica restoration fund. Info: Catholic Teachers Guild Ottawa ([ctgottawa@gmail.com](mailto:ctgottawa@gmail.com)).

**ALPHA TRAINING IN OTTAWA:** Alpha Lab – June 18. A hands-on, immersive experience of discovery, discussion and practice. **Sat., June 18, 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**, Bethel Pentecostal Church, 500 Viewmount Dr. Cost: \$25 online (includes lunch); \$30 at the door. [Further info & registration here.](#)

**SUMMER SCHOOL FOR LITURGICAL MUSICIANS AND PARISH INITIATION LEADERS:** 'Called to Journey Together in Christ', **July 17-20** at the Diocese of Hamilton. A joint venture by the Ontario Liturgical Conference Music Commission and the Ontario Liturgical Conference Christian Initiation Committee. Keynote: Dr. Jerry Galipeau. [Further info.](#)

## **PARISH EVENTS & SOCIALS**

**WOMEN'S LUNCHEON:** St. Mary Church, on **May 21, 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** Speaker: Christine Labrosse. Continental breakfast after 9:00 a.m. Mass. RSVP: ([stmaryswomensgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryswomensgroup@gmail.com)); (613-839-9387). Freewill offering; babysitting.

**ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH TRIVIA NIGHT:** 2340 Baseline Rd., **Fri., June 3.** Doors open at 6:00 p.m.; game begins at 7:00 p.m. Teams of 6 people, \$90/table. Individuals welcome! Silent auction, cash bar, lucky draws and door prizes. Proceeds towards a new baptismal font. Space is limited. Register today: Divina Hogan ([SJALitCom@yahoo.ca](mailto:SJALitCom@yahoo.ca)).

## **PARISH FUNDRAISERS**

**"RAISE THE ROOF" FUNDRAISER CONCERT:** At Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 44 Rothesay Dr., Kanata on **Fri., May 13, 7:30 p.m.** An evening of Christian, pop and gospel music featuring Gracernote, Holy Redeemer Choir and The Hallelujah Gospel Chorus. Youth group bake table sale. Free-will offering will aid the parish's second Syrian refugee family. Info: (613-592-6959); (<http://holyredeemer.ca/announcements.php>).

## **WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST**

**CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER:** Hulse, Playfair and McGarry is hosting OFSA (Ontario Funeral Services Association) on **May 10, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** at Central Chapel. Speaker: Rebecca Brown. Register: ([darlene.poulin@hpmcgarry.ca](mailto:darlene.poulin@hpmcgarry.ca)); (613-233-1143).

**WALK-A-THON IN SUPPORT OF THE CHILDREN OF PARAGUAY:** 5km or 10km walk to raise funds to build the Our Lady of Caacupe Trade Education Center for the children of Limpio, Paraguay, **Sat., June 4.** Registration at St. Mary Parish, 100 Young St., 8:00 - 9:30 a.m. Info: ([www.childrenofparaguay.org](http://www.childrenofparaguay.org)); Rosa (613-728-4465); ([childrenofparaguay@rogers.com](mailto:childrenofparaguay@rogers.com)).