



Friday Facts

Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office
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January 6, 2017

FROM THE ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

HOMELANDS MASS: Celebrated at Notre Dame Cathedral a week after the *World Day of Migrants and Refugees, Sun., Jan. 22, 2:30 p.m.* Please confirm group attendance and the name of the person responsible for your group to Deacon Gilles Ouellette at the Diocesan Centre (613-738-5025, ext. 238) **before Jan. 17**. Flags will be placed in the Cathedral balconies as a visible sign of your participation. Traditional dishes to share at the Reception in the Cathedral Hall following the Mass will be welcomed and should be brought to the hall before 2:15 p.m. Those in national dress are asked to be in the hall before 2:00 p.m., to be ready for the opening procession. All welcome!

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN FUNERALS – UPDATED EDITION: Available from CCCB Publications. Now contains the Scripture passages from the translation found in the *Lectionary: Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, Votive Masses, Masses for the Dead*. Pastoral Services will place an order in January for pick-up at the Diocesan Centre on **Pastoral Day, Wed., Feb. 15**. To be included in this order & receive a 15% discount, send request to (abrown@ArchOttawa.ca) by **Fri., Jan. 27**.

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS: Father C. Ross Finlan has been appointed parochial administrator (*pro-tem*) of St. Basil Parish effective January 1. Father Harold McNeil has been appointed parochial administrator (*pro-tem*) of St. Ignatius Parish, effective January 1.

PRAYERS: For the repose of the soul of Fr. Ernst Schoenhammer, O.M.I. who died Friday, December 30, 2016 at the age of 78. Born on May 16, 1938 in Bamberg Germany, he was ordained to the priesthood on December 18, 1965 for the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. He exercised his priestly ministry at St. Albertus Pfarrgemeinde (German-speaking Parish), at 416 Parkdale Avenue since arriving in Ottawa in 1966 and as Regional Vicar of Region II from 2003 - 2011. In 2003, he received the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany for his service to the German community. Visitation on **Sun., Jan. 8, 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.** at St. Albertus Church. Funeral Mass on **Mon., Jan. 9, 10:00 a.m.** at Saint Patrick Basilica, 281 Nepean St. Archbishop Prendergast will preside. The burial will be at Notre Dame Cemetery after the Funeral Mass & Reception. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS & DEACON BANQUET DATE CHANGES: Please note the following changes to the 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**.

VOCATIONS

PRIESTHOOD DISCERNERS' GROUP: Open to any man interested in knowing more about the priesthood. Next meeting: **Wed., Jan. 11, 7:00 p.m.** at St. Margaret Mary Parish. Info: Fr. Pierre Champoux (613-558-1445) or (vocations@archottawa.ca); (<http://www.catholicottawa.ca/priesthood>).

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Jan. 15. Lord, we know that You call us to our vocation from the moment of our baptism. Help young men and women answer this call most faithfully. 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Jan.

The family: home of love,
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

Jan. 22 – Homelands Mass

Feb. 4 – Celebration of
Consecrated Life

Feb. 15 – Pastoral 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**
- ✓ contact info (abrown@ArchOttawa.ca)

Previous Issues of the FF:
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22. That all baptized Catholics will recognize their responsibility to discover their vocation in Christ and follow Him, especially those chosen for the unique calling to the priesthood or consecrated life.

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

STEBENVILLE TORONTO 2017 INTEREST MEETING: Steubenville Toronto is Canada's largest Catholic Youth Conference. Youth who will be in Grade 9 in September 2017 up to those who will be graduating high school by the end of 2017 can attend Steubenville Toronto. An interest meeting for parents and youth will be held **Jan. 12, 6:30-9:30 p.m.** at the Diocesan Centre, 1247 Kilborn Place. Info: Krista Wawrykow (613-738-5025 ext. 222); (kwawrykow@ArchOttawa.ca).

FROM THE HOLY SEE

2017 WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES: The 103rd World Day of Migrants and Refugees is January 15, 2017. The theme of Pope Francis' Message is "*Child Migrants, the Vulnerable and the Voiceless*". [Link to the Message](#)

FROM THE CCCB

NEW BISHOP APPOINTED FOR CALGARY: His Holiness Pope Francis accepted the resignation of the Most Reverend Frederick B. Henry as Bishop of the Diocese of Calgary and has appointed today as his successor the Most Reverend William Terrence McGrattan. At the time of his appointment, Bishop McGrattan was Bishop of the Diocese of Peterborough. Bishop Henry has been Bishop of Calgary for the past 19 years. [Read more...](#)

DEATH OF THE MOST REVEREND JEAN GAGNON, BISHOP EMERITUS OF GASPÉ: The Most Reverend Jean Gagnon, Bishop Emeritus of Gaspé, died December 23, 2016, in Lévis, Quebec, at the age of 75. [Read more...](#)

RESOURCES FOR 2017 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: Celebrated around the world **Jan. 18-25, 2017**, on the theme *Reconciliation – The Love of Christ Compels Us* (2 Corinthians 5:14-20). [Link to Canadian resources from the Canadian Council of Churches](#); [Link to international version of the resources](#).

LIFE AND FAMILY SUGGESTIONS FOR HOMILIES AND PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL FOR JANUARY: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops continues to post homily ideas and prayers of the faithful to link the Sunday liturgy with the national pastoral initiative for life and family. The suggestions for homilies and prayers can be easily adapted for family or personal prayer or for use with other groups or organizations. [Documents and activities proposed by the CCCB](#).

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION – ARCHDIOCESAN PARISH GUIDE: A newly revised guide for parishes on Care for God's Creation is now available on the Archdiocese of Ottawa website: catholicottawa.ca/environmental-stewardship. Parish Pastoral Councils and committees are encouraged to review this document and identify ways that we may continue to improve in our shared responsibility as stewards of creation. As expressed by Pope Francis, "I want to recognize, encourage and thank all those striving in countless ways to guarantee the protection of the home which we share" (§13. Laudato Si'). Info: John Dorner (jdorner@ArchOttawa.ca); (613-738-5025 ext. 251).

PRO-LIFE

MONTHLY PRO-LIFE MASS: The next monthly Mass to pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa is on **Sat., Jan. 28, 9:00 a.m.** at St. Mary Parish, 100 Young Street. Info: (613-831-2515).

SCHOOLS

REGISTERING FOR KINDERGARTEN - OTTAWA CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD: If your child will be 4 or 5 years old by December 31, 2017, then it's time to register for the kindergarten program at Ottawa Catholic School Board elementary schools. The 2017 Kindergarten Registration event is **Jan. 16-20** at your local Catholic elementary school. You can also register anytime throughout the year. Info: (ocsb.ca/registrations).

MARYVALE ACADEMY OF OTTAWA ANNUAL FUNDRAISING DINNER GALA: "For Love of You" on **Sat., Feb. 4** at St. Elias Centre, 750 Ridgewood Ave. Live & silent auctions, 50/50 draw, musical performances, speeches and dancing. Cocktails & silent auction at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$85/person (\$40 tax receipt). Info/tickets: Maryvale Academy (613-321-2186); (www.maryvaleacademy.ca); (www.facebook.com/MaryvaleAcademyOttawa).

ALPHA SESSIONS

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring basics of the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question and is designed to create conversation. There's no pressure, no follow-up and no charge. It is a great way to meet other people on the journey to a Christ centered life and it can be a lot of fun.

ALPHA AT ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH: Beginning **Wed., Jan. 11, 6:30 p.m.**, supper provided. Contact info: Kathleen Boskill (613-805-7308); (ka.boskill@gmail.com). Info about Alpha: 2 min. video (<https://youtu.be/oMmUxmQrGfI>).

ALPHA AT ST. LEONARD CHURCH: At St. Leonard's Church, Manotick on Wednesdays, **Feb. 8 – Apr. 12**. Info & registration: (<http://www.stleonardsparish.ca>); (judyawood@rogers.com).

FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION COURSES AT NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL: "How Did Vatican II Change the Church?" Thursdays, **7:00 - 8:30 p.m., Jan. 19 – Apr. 6**. Cost: \$20. Info & registration: (613-241-7496); (<http://www.notredameottawa.com/courses>).

OTTAWA SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND SPIRITUALITY 2016-17 WINTER TERM: The OSTs is a lay and volunteer school supported by the United, Presbyterian, Anglican and Roman Catholic Churches, that offers adult theological and spiritual education courses of interest. Courses begin **Mon., Jan. 9, 7:00 p.m.**, Dominican University College, 96 Empress Ave. Info & registration: (www.osts.ca); (president@osts.ca).

25TH ANNUAL LIFT JESUS HIGHTER RALLY: Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. W., **Sat., Mar. 4, 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.** Talks by Sr. Ann Shields, Peter Herbeck and keynote guest speaker Bishop Scott McCaig. Separate youth event (13-18 years). Cost: \$25 adults; \$15 youth. Info: (905-833-0360); (info@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca).

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

NIGHT OF WORSHIP AND MINISTRY: St. Mary Parish, 100 Young St., **Fri., Jan. 27, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** Speaker: Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC. Theme: *The Joy of the Gospel*. Prayer teams available. Reception to follow. Info: Lise Going (613-728-9811 x720); (night.worship.ministry@stmarysottawa.ca).

PRAYER MEETING & HEALING SERVICE: With Ms. Hazel D'Souza, a Catholic speaker from India at St. John the Apostle Church, 2340 Baseline Rd., **Sat., Jan 14, 6:30 p.m.** All are welcome; free of charge. Sponsored by the Ottawa Sri Lanka Catholic Prayer Group. Info: (613-823-2738); (613-569-1616).

AN ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE: Hosted by the Christian Council of the Capital Area at Saint Peter Lutheran Church, 400 Sparks St., **Sun., Jan. 22, 4:00 p.m.** A reception will follow. All are invited to pray for Christian unity and for fellowship as we commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Info: Father Jacques Kabangu, Saint-Gabriel Parish (613-745-4342); (jacqueskabangu25@gmail.com).

PARISH EVENTS

'MAN OF THE SHROUD' EXHIBIT: The "Man of the Shroud" exhibit is coming to St. Isidore Roman Catholic Church, Kanata, **April 4-11**. This is a scholastic exhibit, with a dramatic actual-size digital authentic reproduction of "The Shroud of Turin" printed on linen. Guest speakers: Mr. Barrie Schwartz, official photographer for the "Shroud of Turin Research Project" and Dr. Phillip Wiebe, Professor of Philosophy at Trinity Western University. A great educational field trip opportunity, with student and adult seminars provided during the exhibit. Free event is made possible by The Vancouver Shroud Association and the Archdiocese of Ottawa; donations accepted. Everyone is welcome. Info: (<http://www.theshroud.org/>); follow on Twitter @TheShroudOrg.