



# Friday Facts

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## FROM THE ARCHBISHOP & AUXILIARY BISHOP'S OFFICE

**142<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO SAINTE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRÉ AND CAP-DE-LA-MADELEINE, AUGUST 13-14, 2016:** Weekend celebrant: Archbishop Paul-André Durocher, Archdiocese of Gatineau. Pope Francis has encouraged all to make a pilgrimage during the Year of Mercy. This Pilgrimage is one such opportunity. The Archdiocese of Québec has designated a Door of Mercy at the Shrine of Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré. Participate Saturday evening in a “Stations of Mercy” at Ste-Anne. Info: Mike Budge (613-224-8110); ([www.ste-anne-de-beaupre.com](http://www.ste-anne-de-beaupre.com)).

## FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

**NOTE TO PRIESTS RE CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK MASS:** A Catholic Education Week Mass will be celebrated at Notre Dame Cathedral on Tues., May 3, 7:30 p.m. If you wish to concelebrate with our Archbishop, please contact Mark Buccino ([Mark.Buccino@ocsb.ca](mailto:Mark.Buccino@ocsb.ca); 613-224-4455 x2384), so that the distribution of Holy Communion can be coordinated. Thank you.

**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).

**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 the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 1847 and the anniversary of its elevation to an archdiocese on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June, 1886. The celebration this year will take place at Notre Dame Cathedral on **Thurs., June 9, 7:30 p.m.** More details to follow.

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

## **DR. PATRICIA MARSDEN DOLE RECEIVES 2015 ONTARIO SENIOR ACHIEVEMENT**

**AWARD:** The award was presented April 25, 2016 at Saint Paul University by Minister Yasir Naqvi MPP. The 2015 Ontario Senior Achievement Award recognizes individuals who, after the age of 65, have made significant contributions to their communities. Patricia Marsden-Dole was recognized for her work and research to enhance the quality of life for Ontario's seniors as a leader, community activist and advocate for seniors' issues in Ontario. She works in Pastoral Services in the Archdiocese of Ottawa working on many social justice issues including the challenges facing the increasing number of seniors in our

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

- Apr. 30** – Hike for Life
- May 12** – March for Life
- May 19** – Pastoral Day
- 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

community. A graduate of Saint Paul University with a Doctor of Ministry, she is working collaboratively with Saint Paul University to establish a Chair on Aging in an Aging Society. Congratulations Patricia!

### **VOCATIONS**

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Seventh Sunday of Easter - May 8 - Mother's Day. That Catholic mothers will make a home for the Lord in their hearts and in their families, welcoming His call to their children, especially should He honor them with vocations to the priesthood or the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

### **FROM THE HOLY SEE**

**50<sup>TH</sup> WORLD COMMUNICATION DAY – MAY 8, 2016:** Communication and Mercy: A Fruitful Encounter. *Dear Brothers and Sisters, the Holy Year of Mercy invites all of us to reflect on the relationship between communication and mercy. The Church, in union with Christ, the living incarnation of the Father of Mercies, is called to practice mercy as the distinctive trait of all that she is and does. What we say and how we say it, our every word and gesture, ought to express God's compassion, tenderness and forgiveness for all.* [Read more.](#)

### **FROM THE CCCB**

**CONSOLIDATING CATHOLIC EFFORTS IN VIEW OF BILL C-14:** In view of the draft federal legislation on euthanasia and assisted suicide, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is working in close collaboration with the Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience. Bishops are urging all Catholics and others who share similar principles and values to inform federal and provincial/territorial legislators of their concerns on the sanctity of life and the conscience rights of healthcare workers and institutions when they are faced with a patient's choice for assisted death. [Read more...](#)

### **SCHOOLS**

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK – SUNDAY, MAY 1 – FRIDAY, MAY 6:** Our Catholic faith emphasizes the belief that all persons are created in the image of God and that Christ shows us the fullest expression of God's image alive in each of us. Catholic schools foster the full potential of all students through the efforts of our staff. Please join the OCSB community in celebrating our spiritual theme, *Restore one another in a spirit of gentleness* (Galatians 6.1-9), and our provincial theme, *Opening the Doors of Mercy*, during Catholic Education Week. Catholic Education Week Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral on **Tues., May 3, 7:30 p.m.** to celebrate our Catholic Education. All are welcome! Info: (<http://www.ocsb.ca/>).

### **FAMILIES, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS**

**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY OPEN HOUSES:** The Diocesan Youth Ministry Team (DYMT) in collaboration with ministries that serve the young adult community will host a series of ministry 'Open Houses', between the weeks of April 25-June 6. If you are interested in attending or hosting an Open House, contact Kathleen for more info: ([ka.boskill@gmail.com](mailto:ka.boskill@gmail.com)).

**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)).

### **PRO-LIFE**

**NUMEROUS RESOURCES ON EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE NOW EASILY ACCESSIBLE:** The webpage of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) on euthanasia and assisted suicide has been revamped to be more accessible and facilitate research. In addition, a link from the CCCB website's home page has been added to direct visitors to the new webpage. The new web page offers links to: CCCB statements, resources from the different Regional Episcopal Assemblies; five major campaigns against physician-assisted suicide; resources for parish communities; resources of the Catholic Organization for Life and Family; and a number of other articles and media reports. [Link to the Webpage.](#)

**COLF MESSAGE FOR 2016 NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE:** The Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) has released on its website its annual message for the National March for Life, to be held this year in Ottawa on **May 12, 2016**. Entitled "Extending the hand of Mercy", the message invites people to "walk throughout the year with these women wounded by abortion and often unconsciously thirsting for hope." There is also a short promotional video that was produced by the National March for Life Committee. [Link to COLF's Message](#); [Link to the promotional video](#).

**WORKING AGAINST SUICIDE:** The Government of Canada has introduced Bill C-14, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code and to make related amendments to other Acts (medical assistance in dying)*. This proposed legislation, which responds to the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in early 2015, will make euthanasia and assisted suicide legal and more accessible in our entire country. The Supreme Court decision and current legislative efforts are in stark contradiction to the endeavours of individuals, families and communities to counteract the dangers and sufferings of suicide. To express your concerns about the legislation, visit (<http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/>).

**EUTHANASIA & ASSISTED SUICIDE:** Bishops across the country have been visiting with elected representatives and Cabinet members, both federal and provincial / territorial. Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, was part of a news conference in April on Parliament Hill with other faith leaders from the Salvation Army, Jewish, Muslim and Evangelical communities. Many elected officials report they have received a clear message from the Catholic community regarding physician-assisted suicide. Your efforts make a difference!

**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.CanadiansforConscience.ca): (<http://www.catholicottawa.ca>).

**CWL INITIATE 12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE:** The Catholic Women's League of Canada national executive have decided to call upon the power of prayer and to initiate a nationwide 12 hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on **May 4** during National Hospice Palliative Care Week. Please find some way to support this day of prayer, as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life. Many parishes are having prayers organized for the day. Check with your parish CWL. More info is available at ([www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca)).

**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; 7:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Confession available); 8:30 p.m. Benediction. Social in the parish hall follows. Info: (416-463-2722); ([toronto@sistersoflife.org](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife.org)).

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

**BUS TO MARCH FOR LIFE:** Leaving St. John the Apostle parish **9:00 a.m. SHARP, Thurs., May 12**, to Notre Dame Cathedral for Pro-Life Mass at 10:00 a.m. Pick-up at Notre Dame 11:45 a.m. for Parliament Hill, returning to parish at 2:45 p.m. (at Bank of Canada Building [Wellington at Kent]). Reservations: Deborah (613-820-3580); ([deborahlariccia@rogers.com](mailto:deborahlariccia@rogers.com)).

**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).

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

**'FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING SERIES':** St. Theresa Parish is pleased to welcome Rabbi Reuven Bulka who is giving a talk "We Are in This Together", **Sun., May 22 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass**. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited. Info: (613-235-5119).

**CONFERENCE SESSION:** *Liturgical Catechesis - A Pilgrimage through Sunday Eucharist (gathering the Body of Christ)*. At Saint Paul University, Room 1130 GIG on **May 28, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** Presenter: Klara Kinahan. From the foundational principles of liturgy, we will briefly examine the history and theology of the four fold nature of the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. Some practical material will be available to use in parishes. Free. Register at: (<http://ustpaul.ca>).

### **ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP**

**CARE FOR CREATION – PARIS CLIMATE AGREEMENT:** The Paris Climate Agreement was signed by 175 countries on April 22, Earth Day. Let us pray for our world leaders charged with the responsibility for taking urgent and necessary action to fight the ongoing perilous rise in global temperatures.

**WORKSHOP ON 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? The National Trust of Canada and Faith and Common Good invite participation in Regenerating Places of Faith: a Workshop for Ottawa's Communities at All Saints Church, 10 Blackburn Ave., **Sat., May 14, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.** The workshop is open to all and would be of special interest to those involved with property, finance, environmental and social action. Registration: \$25. Info: ([www.nationaltrustcanada.ca](http://www.nationaltrustcanada.ca)); John Dorner (613-738-5025 x251; [jdorner@archottawa.ca](mailto:jdorner@archottawa.ca)).

### **PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**PENTECOST CELEBRATION:** At St. Mary's Parish, 100 Young St., **Sat., May 14, 6:30 - 10:00 p.m.** Come for worship, adoration & prayer. *"And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit"* Acts 13:52. Info: (613-728-9811).

**PENTECOST MISSION & EVENING OF DIVINE MERCY:** Pentecost Mission & Evening of Divine Mercy: Sponsored by St. Philip & St. Clare Parishes. Mon., May 9 – Thurs., May 12, 7:00 p.m. Pentecost Mission lead by Fr Ben St-Croix, CC. Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wed., May 11. Divine Mercy relics on Thurs. Info: parish office (613-838-2314). Mon. & Wed., 7:00 p.m. at St. Philip, Richmond; Tues., 7:00 p.m. at St. Clare, Dwyer Hill; Thurs., 7:30 p.m. at St. Philip, Richmond.

### **PARISH EVENTS & SOCIALS**

**40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION:** Monsignor Joseph Muldoon will be celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination on **Sat., June 11, 2016**. Following the 5:00 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit Parish in Stittsville, a reception will be held in his honour in the parish hall from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Info: (613-836-8881).

### **CONFERENCES**

**UNBOUND FREEDOM IN CHRIST CONFERENCE:** With Neal & Janet Lazano, presenting a practical way for Christians to receive greater freedom and enjoy the abundant life won for us by Christ's death and resurrection. Supported by the Archdiocese of Ottawa. Saint-Thomas D'Aquin Parish, **Fri., Oct. 28 – Sat., Oct. 29**. Info & registration: Dan & Maria (613-258-5501); Anne (613-446-1960); ([www.catholicottawa.ca/unbound](http://www.catholicottawa.ca/unbound)); ([unboundfreedomottawa@gmail.com](mailto:unboundfreedomottawa@gmail.com)).

### **PILGRIMAGES & TOURS**

**PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND FOR JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY:** With Fr. Chris Shalla. **Oct. 17-29, 2016** (13 days in the footsteps of Saints Faustina, John Paul II and Maximilian Kolbe). \$3999/person (double occup.). Includes all costs except lunches. Registration deadline: July 5. Info & registration: Laurie Courchesne-Dooley (613-732-5739); ([plcdooley@hotmail.com](mailto:plcdooley@hotmail.com)).

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**DIVINE INFANT PARISH - FINANCIAL BOOKKEEPER:** Good knowledge of accounting & practical experience with QuickBooks. Bookkeeping experience an asset. 1 day/week in the parish office plus 1 day for data entry and records management of weekly contributions. Application to parish office: 6658 Bilberry Dr., Orleans in person, by mail or email ([di\\_office@rogers.com](mailto:di_office@rogers.com)), attn Ruth Benwell. Job description upon request. Resumes must be received by **May 5, 2016**.