



Friday Facts

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FROM THE ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

Theme for the 2016-2017 Pastoral Year: The family: home of love, mercy and joy. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace..." (Galatians 5.22)

163RD ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL: Every parish community is related to the Bishop, therefore the anniversary of the cathedral church's dedication as a place of worship is celebrated throughout the diocese. This is a solemnity in the cathedral and a feast in other churches. Archbishop Prendergast will celebrate the **Sat., Sept. 3, 5:00 p.m.** (Bilingual) and **Sun., Sept. 4, 12:00 p.m.** (English) Masses at Notre Dame Cathedral.

ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S CHARITY DINNER: At the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre on **Thurs., Oct. 20.** This year, we have chosen to support life and palliative care. The Archbishop has chosen two beneficiaries: *Action Life Ottawa* and *Bruyère Continuing Care*. The Catholic Church is guided by the principle of the dignity and sanctity of life. We continue to support people in their most vulnerable stage and we believe in providing proper medical care to those suffering and those in need. [Order tickets here](#). Info: Development Office (613-738-5025, ext. 202) or (dev@archottawa.ca).

ORDINATIONS TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE: All are invited to participate in the celebration of the Ordination of candidates Guy Pierre Dacquay, Victor Manuel Mesta, Gerardo Panes, and Michel Jamie Seguin, by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J. on **Sat., Sept. 10, 5:00 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica. A reception will be held in the parish hall immediately following the celebration

COMMEMORATING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED IN THE ARCHDIOCESAN CEMETERIES: The Annual Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed will take place at Notre Dame Cemetery (613-746-4175) on **Sun., Sept. 11, 2:30 p.m.** and at Hope Cemetery (613-822-1212) on **Sun., Sept. 18, 2:30 p.m.** Archbishop Prendergast will preside at both prayer services.

7TH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO ST. JOSEPH ORATORY: From the Dioceses of Ottawa, Gatineau, Pembroke, Mont Laurier, Alexandria/Cornwall and Kingston and for the YEAR OF MERCY a special visit and prayer to the Divine Mercy of Jesus Shrine in Montreal on **Sun., Oct. 16.** Info: Mike Budge (613-224-8110).

ALEXANDRIA-CORNWALL NATIVITY CO-CATHEDRAL TO RE-OPEN: The Nativity Co-Cathedral of the Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall will now re-open after completing structural work. Opening Mass with Archbishop Prendergast, Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese, **Thurs., Sept. 8, 7:00 p.m.** All welcome.

2016-17 PASTORAL YEAR THEME
**The family: home of love,
mercy and joy.**
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peace..." (Galatians 5.22)

NEW!! PASTORAL CALENDAR FOR 2016-17 online at:

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

Dates to Note

Sept. 4 – Anniversary of Dedication of Notre Dame Cathedral

Sept. 10 – Diaconate Ordinations

Sept. 11 – Notre Dame Cemetery Celebration of Faithful Departed

Sept. 18 – Hope Cemetery Celebration of Faithful Departed

Oct. 20 – Charity Dinner

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

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PREVIOUS FRIDAY FAX: The first 'Friday Facts' of this Pastoral Year was sent out last week. If you missed it, previous versions are available online at (<http://www.catholicottawa.ca/news-from-pastoral-services-friday-fax>).

REMINDER TO PRIESTS – STUDY DAYS REGISTRATION & PAYMENT BY MON., SEPT. 12: The 2016 Study Days for priests will take place at Glen House, Gananoque, **Mon., Oct. 24 – Thurs., Oct. 27**. Please remember to submit payment (cheque to RCECO) to Pastoral Services by Sept. 12 to ensure your place. Further details & information: (abrown@ArchOttawa.ca) or (613-738-5025 x217).

PARISHES – 2016-17 ORDO, REVISED ORDER OF CONFIRMATION & WORKBOOKS FOR LECTORS 2017 NOW AVAILABLE TO ORDER: The ORDO, the Workbook for Lectors and the revised English-language translation of the ORDER OF CONFIRMATION (the new and only official translation approved for use, as of Nov. 1, 2016) are now available from the CCCB. Parishes wishing to obtain a discounted price and have the books available for pick-up on Pastoral Day, Oct. 13, must place orders with Pastoral Services (abrown@ArchOttawa.ca) or 613-738-5025 x217 **no later than Tues., Sept. 20**.

REQUESTING A PARISH CONFIRMATION DATE: All parishes wishing to schedule a date(s) for a parish Confirmation in 2016-2017 should send their request to Annmarie Brown in Pastoral Services (abrown@ArchOttawa.ca); (613-738-5025 ext. 217) no later than **Mon., Oct. 3**, to allow for co-ordination with Archbishop Prendergast, SJ and Bishop Riesbeck, CC. Please provide at least 3 possible dates, the time and location of the celebration(s) and an estimate of the number of candidates – all of the above are required to schedule a Confirmation date. We encourage you to choose a date(s) before Holy Week and Easter (April 9, 2017). If your candidate numbers are 20 or less, please give serious consideration to joining with a neighbouring parish.

VOCATIONS

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sept. 18. For all those especially dedicated to making supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving on behalf of God's people, that they will be strengthened in their vocations as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

MESSAGE OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION: 'Show Mercy to our Common Home'. *United with our Orthodox brothers and sisters, and with the support of other Churches and Christian communities, the Catholic Church today marks the "World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation". This Day offers "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."* [1]. [Read the Message.](#)

FROM THE CCCB

ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME - A DIALOGUE GUIDE FOR LAUDATO SI': CCCB Publications has just released this publication which was elaborated by the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice. It includes key quotations from the encyclical, examines its content and offers questions for group discussions in order to foster a deeper commitment to the care of creation as well as to the environment and ecology. Info: (<https://esubmitit.sjpg.com/cccb>). Available in PDF on the Jesuit Forum website (<http://www.jesuitforum.ca/resources/care-our-common-home-dialogue-guide-laudato-si>).

LIFE AND FAMILY SUGGESTIONS FOR HOMILIES AND PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL DURING SEPTEMBER 2016: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) again posts homily ideas and prayers of the faithful to help link the

Sunday liturgy with the national pastoral initiative for life and family. The suggestions for homilies and prayers can be adapted for family prayer, as well as for personal prayer or for use with other groups or organizations. The texts for the month of September are available on the Life and Family webpage: ([Documents and activities proposed by the CCCB](#)).

FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TRAINING: Annunciation of the Lord Parish and The Good Shepherd Parish are hosting a formation weekend open to all youth ministry leaders, **Fri., Sept. 9, 7:00 p.m. - Sat., Sept. 10, 10:00 p.m.** The program is tailored to those who will be leading the 'Edge', but will be beneficial for anyone working in youth ministry. Annunciation of the Lord Parish, 2414 Ogilvie Road. Info: Marc Moreau (613-745-7774); Charity Corbett (613-824-4394).

DUC IN ALTUM OTTAWA/CORNWALL: Info session for the 2016-17 year on **Tues., Sept. 20, 7:00 p.m.**, at Blessed Sacrament Library. This eight-month-long itinerary is for young adults (aged 20-30ish) who feel God's call is leading them closer to Him. The eight 'encounters' consist of talks from speakers, prayer, journeying with other young adults, and the additional component of being accompanied on your journey by a spiritual companion. Info: (www.ducinaltum.ca).

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

SEASON OF CREATION – SEPTEMBER 1 TO OCTOBER 4: We have entered the Season of Creation that takes place from September 1 (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to October 4 (Feast of St. Francis). In a recent video, Pope Francis makes a special request – “That we may take good care of creation – a gift freely given, cultivating it and protecting it for future generations” (www.seasonofcreation.org). As we enter the Season of Creation, let us pray and undertake actions within our parishes that demonstrate care for God’s creation. Guidelines for parishes may be found on the Archdiocese of Ottawa website (<http://www.catholicottawa.ca/environmental-stewardship>

SOCIAL JUSTICE

BUILDING HOSPITABLE COMMUNITIES FOR AGING: CHALLENGE AND OPPORTUNITIES: Saint Paul University, **Sept. 28 – 30.** An international conference designed as a meeting place for scholars, community leaders, students, practitioners, volunteers and interested individuals to share their experience, knowledge and insights. Explore the opportunities and challenges we face in our attempts to build hospitable communities. Presentations, workshops, panels and open-table discussions on questions related to health care, spiritual care, caregivers, housing, education, medical and community services, as well as spirituality and the meaning we give to aging. Keynote speaker: Dr. Elizabeth MacKinlay. All are welcome. Registration deadline: Sept. 9. Further info & registration: (http://ustpaul.ca/en/building-hospitable-communities-for-aging-challenge-and-opportunities_2380_17.htm).

SCHOOLS

ACADEMIA STELLA MARIS WORKSHOPS: Give your kindergarten homeschooler a ‘heads up’ this September: The Bible Handwriting (4-5 years old), Learn your numbers and learn to serve (4-5 years old) and Adoration for children (for all). To register: (<https://goo.gl/forms/FgRHb776smW98nKC2>). Further details: (www.academiastellamaris.ca); (343-883-5970).

PARISH EVENTS & SOCIALS

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION PARISH CEMETERY MASS: 5338 Bank St., **Sun., Sept. 11, 2:00 p.m.** Refreshments will be served; everyone is welcome. Info: parish office (613-822-2197); (office@olvottawa.ca).

OUR LADY OF VISITATION PARISH WELCOME BACK DINNER & DANCE: With Kings Creek band plus a home cooked dinner for \$15. **Sun., Sept. 11, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.** Tickets: (613-884-4043). Proceeds to the OLV Mortgage Fund.

SAINT GABRIEL'S CONSTANCE BAY ANNUAL ROAST BEEF DINNER: At the Constance & Buckham's Bay Community Centre 262 Len Purcell Drive (in loving memory of Theresa Wilson). **Sat., Sept. 17, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.** Adults \$20; Youth (5-11) \$8; 4 & under free. Tickets or info: Garry (613-832-5599).

OTTAWA CATHOLIC CURSILLO 50TH ANNIVERSARY GALA: To celebrate our Friendship in Christ. At Tudor Hall, **Sept. 24, 6:30 p.m.** Tickets: \$65 per person or book a table of eight for \$440. Tickets at Central Ultreya or Jim & Muriel Griffin (Jamesh.Griffin@sympatico.ca).

YOUNG SINGERS – CHORISTER FOR A DAY: Saint Patrick Basilica Youth and Children's Choirs are welcoming young singers to visit for a weekend experience of rehearsal and sung Liturgy. **Sat., Sept. 24** rehearsal 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (pizza lunch included). **Sun., Sept. 25** Mass 9:30 a.m. Children's Choir: Grades 2-8 (age 7-13). Youth Choir: Grades 9-12+ (age 14-18 +). Yearly schedule is bi-weekly. Register: (basilicachoirs@yahoo.ca); music office (613-233-1126 x 561).

PILGRIMAGES & TOURS

ST. ISIDORE PARISH, KANATA – PILGRIMAGE TO THE DOOR OF MERCY AT NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL: Cost is \$20 and includes light lunch at St Isidore. **Sat., Sept. 10.** Meet at the parish, 1135 March Rd., Kanata at 8:40 a.m. Contact St. Isidore Parish (613-592-1961).

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: With Father Matthew Keshwah, **February 17-26, 2017.** Details (note corrected phone number): (www.WalkingWithTheFather.ca under the Holy Land Page); Father Keshwah (613-824-6822 ext.5).

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: With Fr. Rick Lorenz, **April 17-25, 2017.** Details: (ihtours.com/destination/catholic-tours/) or (613-233-1126 x 516).

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

PASSAGGIO CONCERT: Featuring guest director and Ottawa composer Gilles Maurice Leclerc conducting the premiere of some of his choral works. **Sun., Sept. 11, 3:00 p.m.** at Saint-François d'Assise church (Wellington St., W. & Fairmont Ave.) Freewill offering. Info: (613-798-0264); (gilles.leclerc7@sympatico.ca or aditi8mag@gmail.com).

OTTAWA SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY & SPIRITUALITY 2016-17: OSTs is a lay and volunteer school that has provided adult theological and spiritual education courses of interest for over 50 years. Its courses this year include Prayer, Refugees, Celtic Saints, Thessalonians, Process Theology, Music in Worship, Forgiveness, Jewish Thinkers, Nehemiah and more. Registration and courses start at 7:00 p.m. on **Mon., Sept. 19** at the Dominican University College, 96 Empress St. Info & registration: (www.osts.ca); (osts.president@gmail.com).

CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY AT MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY: For students attending Memorial University, NL this fall, visit the Catholic Chaplaincy at UC 3006 (beside the "Answers" office). Facebook page at MUN Catholic Community. Email: (ej_mroz@yahoo.ca).

EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

ST. PATRICK'S HOME: Seeking Pastoral Volunteers to help with Mass escorting on Wednesdays, Thursday and Sundays, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Location: 2865 Riverside Drive. Contact Kathy Thompson, Manager of Recreation and Volunteers (613-731-0094 ext. 235).