

FRIDAY FACTS

Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

January 12, 2018

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Homelands' Mass: At Notre Dame Cathedral, **Sun., Jan. 14, 2:30 p.m.** Flags will be 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 should be brought to the hall before 2:15 p.m. All welcome!

Christian Initiation - Rite of Election & Calling of Candidates to Lenten Renewal: Notre Dame Cathedral. **Sun., February 18, 2:30 p.m.** Parish participation form, [available here](#), to be submitted **by Tues., Feb. 6**. All family & friends are welcome.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Brother Michael King, O.S.M., who was living at St. Anthony's and died Saturday, January 6, 2018. Please pray for him and his family.

FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Journey of Hope – A Program for Separated and Divorced Catholics: Six week sessions for women (Tuesdays, Mar. 20 – Apr. 24, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.) and men (Thursdays, Mar. 22 – May 3, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.). Fee: \$25. At Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish Hall, 20 Grant St. Register by Mar. 16: www.journeyofhopeottawa.com; Mary Jane Manley (613-294-1308).

Free Cinema Forum Night: Film viewing and discussion on the lives of the saints. Featuring St. Joseph Moscati (Doctor to the Poor) on **Jan. 26, 7:00 p.m.** Assumption Parish Hall, 320 Olmstead St. Every last Friday of the month. Info: assumption@rogers.com; 613-746-8503.

Scavi Session - Becoming Missionary Disciples: How lay people can play their part in the spreading of the Gospel. Presented by Archbishop Prendergast for Young Adults (18 - 40 yrs). Saint Patrick Basilica in the Scavi. **Fri., Jan. 26, 7:00 p.m.** Hosted by Saint Patrick's Young Adults Group. Info: 613-233-1125.

Theology of the Body Conference – Diocese of Montreal: Decoding Love Conference. **January 18 – 20, 2018.** Info: (<http://www.diocesemontreal.org/blog/missionjeunesse/decoding-love/?lang=en>).

Safe Families Info Session: Safe Families is a charity that provides approved host homes for children to stay for a short to medium term when a parent needs support. Safe Families ignites parishes to be involved in community to lighten the load of the Children's Aid Society. Info session about Safe Families Canada: Pleasant Park Church, 414 Pleasant Park Rd., **Feb. 5, 6:30 p.m.** Free. RSVP to merlin.liu@gmail.com. Info: Andrea Mrozek (613-875-5888).

VOCATIONS

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 14. That all Catholics will recognize their responsibility to discover their vocation in Christ and follow Him, especially those chosen for the special calling to the priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord. **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 21.** For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and for a deeper gratitude for the priests and religious now serving our diocese, we pray to the Lord.

Attention - All Men Considering a Calling to the Priesthood: Have you ever considered a calling to the priesthood, but simply don't know where to begin? Or what to ask? If you're a man over 18 and have been thinking about what the priesthood is



"Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience...above all, clothe yourselves with love!"
(Colossians 3.12,14)

about, and how to become one, consider coming to the Priesthood Discernment Evening. You will hear a priest give a brief testimony of his call story, followed by a question and answer period and a social. Please mark your calendar for Thurs., Feb. 1, 7:00-9:00 pm at St. Margaret Mary Church Hall (5 Fairbairn Ave). For more info about this event, contact Fr. Pierre (613-558-1445) or vocations@archottawa.ca. I also encourage you to read our vocations blog articles at vocationsottawa.com for general questions that you may have about the priesthood. Fr. Pierre Champoux, Ottawa Vocation Director.

The National Association of Vocation and Formation Directors (NAVFD) will hold its annual vocations conference **22-25 April 2018** in the Diocese of Hamilton on the theme "To Accompany in Joy and Hope". One of the keynote speakers will be His Eminence Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Québec and Primate of Canada. [Promo video](#); [Registration form](#).

DIOCESAN DATES TO NOTE

- Jan. 14** – Homelands' Mass
- Feb. 2** – Celebration of Consecrated Life
- Feb. 14** – Ash Wednesday
- Feb. 18** – Rite of Election
- Feb. 19** – Family Day
- Feb. 21** – Pastoral Day
- Mar. 27** – Chrism Mass

CARE FOR CREATION

Advance Notice - 2018 Green Churches Forum: The next Green Churches Forum will be held at Our Lady of the Cape Shrine in Trois-Rivières, Quebec on October 19-20, 2018. This bilingual interdenominational event will bring together pastoral staff and volunteers from various Churches of Eastern Canada as well as partner groups, in order to stimulate ecological initiatives in the churches. Information regarding Green Churches Network: www.greenchurches.ca.

PRO-LIFE

Monthly Pro-life Mass: To pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa. A reception follows the Mass. Blessed Sacrament Parish, 194 Fourth Ave., **Sat., Jan. 20, 11:00 a.m.** Sponsored by Pro-life Doctors. Info: wandawoj@rogers.com or 613-831-2515.

Bill 163 Effective Notice: As of Feb. 1, 2018, Bill 163, known as the "bubble zone law", will go into effect in Ottawa. This bill enforces a 50-metre zone (150-metres in certain cases) surrounding abortion clinics (or any access to lawful abortion services) to remain free from protests, acts of disapproval or dissuasion.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Vigil of Eucharistic Adoration: 33 Rosaries and other miscellaneous prayers. St. Patrick Basilica, **Fri., Jan. 19, 8:00 p.m. – 6:30 a.m.** Info: Naomi Visser (613-825-9704).

University of Saint Paul Choir: Invitation to join Sacred Music Choir at Saint Paul's University. 223 Main St., Laframboise Building, Chapel. **Every Tuesday, 12:35 - 1:25 p.m.**, beginning Jan. 16 and continuing through the Semester. All welcome. Free. Info: westenmiriam@gmail.com.

Mass Times at Blessed Sacrament Parish: Daily Mass on Monday & Saturday, 9:30 a.m., in addition to Tues/Thurs, 6:30 p.m. and Wed/Fri at 9:30 a.m. Confessions, Saturday, 10:00-10:30 a.m. & 3:45-4:15 p.m. 1st Friday & 1st Saturday Devotions.

FAITH FORMATION

CORRECTED: Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible at St. John the Apostle: Thursdays for 8 weeks starting **January 18, 2018, 7-9 p.m.**, this bible study features video lectures & facilitated reflections using Jeff Cavin's "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible." Coffee/tea is served. Open to all. Fee: \$25, cost includes student workbook. Located at: St. John the Apostle Church, 2340 Baseline Road. Info: livesisterhood@gmail.com/613-806-0377 or 613-829-1760/www.sisterhood.live.

Workshop for Liturgical Ministries (Commentators, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist): For those who are interested in deepening their understanding of liturgical ministry there will be a workshop facilitated by Saint Paul University professor Klara Kinahan. St. Elizabeth Parish, 1303 Leaside Avenue at Merivale Rd., **Sat., Jan. 27, 12:00 - 2:30 p.m.** Cost: \$5. Info: 613-725-2242.

Wisdom in the City: Talks and discussion to expand mind, heart and spirit for youth and young adults (15-25) by professors from Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College, in partnership with St George Parish. Cost: \$60 for 4 evenings (**Mon., Jan. 29, Feb. 26, Mar. 26, Apr. 23, 7-9:15 p.m.**), which will also include dessert and prayer. Info: www.saintgeorges.ca. Registration by Jan. 19 to wisdom@saintgeorges.ca.

Called and Gifted Spiritual Gifts Workshop: Presented by Catherine of Siena Institute. Discover the charisms the Lord has given you. Space is limited. St. Mary's Parish, 100 Young St., **Sat., Feb. 24, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.** Cost: \$50 for members of St. Mary Parish; \$60 for non-member. Registration or info: spiritual.gifts@stmarysottawa.ca; 613-729-8710 x734.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Indigenous Drum-making Workshop: In the spirit of Truth and Reconciliation, come and learn more about Indigenous cultural traditions by joining David Finkle, Metis musician and artist, who will be facilitating this drum-making workshop. All are welcome. St. Elizabeth Parish, 1303 Leaside Avenue at Merivale Road, **Sat., Jan. 20, 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.** Cost: \$100 for materials. Financial assistance available. Info: 613-725-2242.

Annual Spaghetti Dinner: St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Road, **Sat., Jan. 27, 6:00 p.m.** Tickets available from the Parish office 613-829-1760 or Jamie Burnett 613-224-8081. All are welcome! Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$6 for children 12 and under and \$35 for family. Sponsored/hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 10470. Info: jamie.burnett@sympatico.ca.

Spaghetti & Karaoke Fundraiser Dinner: Open to everyone. Proceeds to the St. Theresa Building Maintenance fund. Door prize: Senators Hockey Tickets. St. Theresa Parish Hall, 95 Somerset St. West, **Sat., Feb. 24, 5:00 - 10:00 p.m.** Cost: \$15 for adults and \$5 for children under age 10. Hosted by The Knights of Columbus - St. Theresa the Little Flower Council 16005. Info & tickets: Roger Richard (613-277-5423) or Daniel Boyer (613-421-5200).

EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Archdiocese of Ottawa (Archbishop's Residence) - Cook: The Archdiocese of Ottawa is looking for a Cook, to work mainly on Thursdays and on weekends, for the Archbishop's Residence located at 143 St. Patrick St., Ottawa. Minimum of 20 hours per week, averaging 30-35 hours per week, depending on availability for replacement during the week and special events. A copy of the job description can be found on the Archdiocese of Ottawa web site at www.catholicottawa.ca. Please send your C.V. along with three professional references to Ms. Colette Legault, Human Resources Officer (clegault@archottawa.ca). Deadline for applications is 12:00 p.m., January 19, 2018. No phone calls. We thank all applicants for their interest, but only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Friendly Visitor Volunteer positions: Carlingview Long-Term Care Manor is looking for friendly people to spark conversation and build bonds with a senior. All volunteers require police records checks & TB tests. If interested please call Stephanie Atwood, 613-820-9328, ext: 248, stephanie.atwood@reveraliving.com. Info: Tanya rstlevesque@gmail.com, 613-741-8419.

Pastoral Care Volunteer position: Carlingview Manor is actively seeking compassionate people to assist with their Palliative/Pastoral Care Team. A great opportunity for individuals looking to help those ill in our community. Training provided within the long-term care facility. All volunteers require police records checks & TB tests. If interested please call Stephanie Atwood, 613-820-9328, ext: 248, stephanie.atwood@reveraliving.com. Info: Tanya rstlevesque@gmail.com, 613-741-8419.

Employment Opportunity - Pianist: St. Margaret Mary Parish (7 Fairbairn St.) is seeking a pianist to accompany the choir for our Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass. The position requires a weekly commitment and additional Masses during Easter and Christmas. The candidate must have strong music skills and a good knowledge of music that is appropriate for the liturgical calendar. Interested persons should send their application to stmm@rogers.com. Info: 613-730-5265.

PILGRIMAGES

Pilgrimage to Russia: Pilgrimage to RUSSIA with Fr. Michael Scherrey, CC. Sept. 15-26, 2018. 12 days/10 nights. Price includes all costs except lunches. \$4579 per person (double occ.) Info meeting: **Sun., June 10, 2:30 p.m.** St. Mary's Parish. Info: Laurie Dooley (613-732-5739); (lafrcondo@outlook.com).

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - An Ecumenical Prayer Service: Hosted by the Christian Council of the Capital Area at Knox Presbyterian, 120 Lisgar St., Ottawa on **Sun., Jan. 21, 4:00 p.m.** A reception will follow. All are invited to pray for Christian unity and for fellowship. Street parking free on Sundays. City Hall Parkade on Sundays: \$2. Info: Father Jacques Kabangu, Saint-Gabriel's Parish, 613-745-4342 (jacqueskabangu25@gmail.com).

Blessing Generations Seminar: An Ancient Paths Seminar. Learn God's purpose and power of blessing, 7 critical times of blessing and how to release blessing. As God touches you during the seminar, you will receive authentic and lasting victory. **Fri., Jan. 19, 6:30-10:00 p.m. & Sat., Jan. 20, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.** at Resurrection of Our Lord, 1940 Saunderson Dr. Registration: Edna DuBroy (613-523-1377) (edna.dubroy@rogers.com). Fee: \$60 before Jan 14.

26th Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally: "Fire on the Earth" (Luke 12:49). **Sat., Mar. 3, 9:00 am - 5:30 pm**, Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. W. Tickets: \$25 adults; \$15 youth. Info: info@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca; www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca; (416-251-4255); (905-270-2510).

Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program - Spring Course and Event info: An inter-denominational programme affiliated with the Christian Council of the Capital Areas. Info: www.ottawapastoralcare.com.