

FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

April 6, 2018

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Archbishop's Easter Letter 2018: Available in PDF: www.catholicottawa.ca.

Presbyteral Ordination: Archbishop Prendergast will ordain John Orban to the Priesthood on **Fri., April 6, 7:30 p.m.** in Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica. Please keep Deacon Orban in your prayers.

Pentecost Confirmations for Adult Catholics: Parishes submitting candidate names for Confirmation on Pentecost, please complete this online form **before Fri., Apr. 20:** <http://www.catholicottawa.ca/pentecost-confirmations-for-adult-catholics>.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Fr. Robert Jenkins who died March 31, 2018 at the age of 77. Fr. Jenkins was ordained to the priesthood on June 10, 1965. Fr. Jenkins was a teacher, chaplain and the head of religion and history departments at St. Pius X High School and chaplain at St. Patrick and St. Peter High Schools. He served in the parishes of St. Monica, St. John the Apostle, Our Lady of Fatima, St. Michael (Fitzroy Harbour), St. Gabriel, Holy Name of Mary and St. Declan. The Funeral Mass will be Fri., April 6, 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary Parish, 100 Young St. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.



FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

FOCCUS Premarriage Inventory – Facilitator Training: Ideal for priests, deacons, new FOCCUS facilitators and those needing an update to most recent FOCCUS program (4th Edition). **Sat., May 26, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.** at St. Patrick Basilica. Cost \$120, incl. facilitator manual and lunch. Registration until May 1. Info: Ted Hurley (613-738-5025x231) or (thurley@archottawa.ca).

VOCATIONS

Prayer for Vocations: Fourth Sunday of Easter - April 22 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations. For an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life for our diocese and that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst.

PRO-LIFE

DIOCESAN WEEK FOR LIFE/NATIONAL WEEK for LIFE: Pro-Life Sun., May 6 – Sat., May 12. Annual General Meeting at St. John the Apostle Parish, **Wed., April 11, 7:30 p.m.** All are welcome. Guest Speaker: Angelina Streenstra from 'Silent No More'. Rep Kits available at AGM. Questions? Deborah La Riccia (613-820-3580) or (deborahlariccia@rogers.com).

Campaign Life Coalition: Hosting Obianuju Ekeocha, founder of Culture of Life Africa, with screening of her documentary "Strings Attached". **Thurs., April 19, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.** at Saint Patrick Basilica. Info: (613-729-0379).

Monthly Pro-life Mass: Join with the Nigerian community, in the pilgrimage of Masses to pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa. Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 400 St. Laurent Boulevard, **Sun., April 29, 1:30 p.m.** Sponsored by Pro-life Doctors. Info: wandawoj@rogers.com; 613-831-2515.

FROM THE CCCB

Life and family suggestions for homilies and prayers of the faithful during April 2018: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops posts homily ideas and prayers of the faithful to help link the Sunday liturgy with the national pastoral initiative for life and family. Available here: [Documents and activities proposed by the CCCB](#).

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Community Helpers: Living with our Aging: St. Theresa Parish will host the Western Ottawa Community Resource Centre to present 4 info lectures to sensitize our seniors and caregivers on meeting the challenging dimensions of aging. St. Theresa Church Hall (Cartier & Somerset), **Fri., May 11, 9:30 a.m.** (also May 18, June 1 & 8). Info: pmarsdendole@archottawa.ca.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion at Divine Infant Parish: On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8 there will be a special Divine Mercy Devotion including exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 3:00pm with Confessions starting at 2:00pm and a reception following. Info: 613-824-6822, ext. 221.

Heart of Worship Adoration Night: Come and worship Jesus in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Tues., April 17, 7:00 p.m.** Praise and worship music, silent adoration, a short talk and the opportunity for confession, followed by fellowship. Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr., Kanata. Info: 613-836-1764, reception@holyredeemer.ca, www.holyredeemer.ca.

Vigil of Eucharistic Adoration: All night prayer before our Eucharistic Lord. At St. Patrick Basilica, **Fri., April 20, 8:00 p.m. – 6:30 a.m.** Info: (613-825-9704).

Evening of Musical Prayer: At Saint-François d'Assise Church (corner of Wellington St. W and Fairmont Ave.). The Pauvres de Saint-François Brothers, based in Trois-Rivières, will present a choral concert on **Sat., April 21, 7:00 p.m.** Freewill offering. CDs available. The Brothers will also sing at the 11 a.m. Sunday Mass. Info: gilles.leclerc7@sympatico.ca; 613-798-0264.

FAITH FORMATION

Spiritual Motherhood of Priests Info Session: An invitation to all women, single, consecrated, married, widowed and religious sisters to learn more about interceding for and becoming spiritual mothers of priests. Info: Maria Pirrone (613-225-6067) or Maria Nicastro (613-875-6279). Cityview Retirement Home, 151 Meadowlands Dr. (at Woodroffe), **Mon., April 30, 7:30-9:00 p.m.** Info: spiritualmotherhoodottawa@gmail.com; spiritualmotherhoodofpriests.ca.

OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS

Speaker - Sister Jean Goulet csc - Transitions - 1956-2018 as a Sister of Holy Cross: Reflecting on what these transitions have meant and how they have influenced her commitment to Christ and service to others. St. Basil Church Hall, 940 Rex Ave., **Sat., April 14, 10:30 a.m.** RSVP stbasilcoms@gmail.com. Hosted by St. Basil CWL. Info: stbasilparish@gmail.com; 613-729-5149.

SCHOOLS

Chesterton Academy High School Comes to Ottawa: Info session on Chesterton Academy high school experience and its classical curriculum through the lens of the Catholic faith. Session will help gauge interest in the school for students in Grades 9 & 10 in its first year, adding Grades 11 & 12 in following years. RSVP: <http://bit.ly/RSVP-CA>. St. George Parish, 415 Piccadilly Ave., **Thurs., April 12, 8:00 p.m.** Info: amdareys@gmail.com.

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

OK Clean Water Project Fashion Show: At Shepherd's Fashions – Train Yards location, **Mon., April 23, 6:00- 9:00 p.m.** Proceeds to support water project in Kumbo, Cameroon. Advance tickets at \$45 each from horanc@sympatico.ca or 613-737-3681. Shepherd's Fashions will contribute 10% of their proceeds that evening to this water cause. www.okcleanwaterproject.org.

Foundations in Parish Nursing: National, ecumenical education program for registered nurses, hosted by the Institute for Ongoing Formation at St. Peter's Seminary. Summer Residency Program, **July 8 – 14** at Brescia University College, London. Registration deadline is May 31, 2018. Info/application: www.stpetersseminary.ca/Programs/Parish-Nursing/21.

PILGRIMAGES

CNEWA Holy Land Pilgrimage: Discover Israel and Palestine, meet local Christians and see CNEWA projects. Priority given to Catholic Women's League members. **June 24 - July 5, 2018.** Cost: \$3,275. Includes airfare from Montreal, hotel (double occ.), bus, guide, breakfast & supper. Deadline: April 16. Info: mgabriel@cnewa.org; 613-738-9666; www.cnewa.ca/web/cwltrip.