



## 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

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS OF THANKSGIVING:** Notre Dame Cathedral, Sun., May 1, 2:30 p.m. For couples celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 + years of marriage in 2016. Families & friends are most welcome. Registration details now available in parishes. **Deadline to register: Wed., April 20.**

**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).

### VOCATIONS

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Fifth Sunday of Easter - April 24 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations. For grace of confidence in prayer for all those discerning their vocation as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, that they will be faithful to the voice of the Good Shepherd, we pray to the Lord.

**PRAYER CARDS:** Additional Vocation Prayer Cards available to parishes from Pastoral Services ([abrown@ArchOttawa.ca](mailto:abrown@ArchOttawa.ca)).

### FROM THE CCCB

**NEW BISHOP APPOINTED FOR MILITARY ORDINARIATE OF CANADA:** His Holiness Pope Francis accepted the resignation of the Most Reverend Donald J. Thériault as Bishop of the Military Ordinariate of Canada and has appointed as his successor the Reverend Father Scott McCaig, C.C. At the time of his appointment, the Bishop-elect was General Superior of the Companions of the Cross. [Read more...](#)

**POST-SYNODAL EXHORTATION 'AMORIS LAETITIA':** *The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops joyfully welcomes the Holy Father's Post-Synodal Exhortation **Amoris Laetitia: On Love in the Family**. As the national assembly of the Catholic Bishops of this country, we encourage its prayerful reception among all the faithful, and recommend its careful study to married couples and families, and to those agencies and organizations working with them, as well as to pastors and those in consecrated life who are called to be at the service of family life.* [Read more...](#)

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 1** – Wedding Anniversary  
Mass
- May 12** – March for Life
- May 19** – 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**

#### 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

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

**THE NEEJE ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN AND FAMILY:** Presents 'Mom, You're Incredible!' Featuring: Dr. Kathleen Lalande C. Psych. Fostering a love for learning: strategies to help kids learn more and moms stress less. **Sat., April 30, 1:30-4:00 p.m.**, Valrideau University Residence for Women. Cost: \$25. Tickets: Ines Lopes (613-590-1535); ([ineslopes@rogers.com](mailto:ineslopes@rogers.com)).

## **PRO-LIFE**

**EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE - URGENT QUESTIONS.** Speaker: Louise Harbour, Executive Director of Action Life. Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall, 153 Woodroffe Ave., **Thurs., April 21, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** Free. Info: Catherine Swimmings (613-729-1869) or Jennifer Jones (613-726-6738).

**EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE – WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?** Speaker: Alex Schadenberg, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. **April 23, 6:30 p.m.** (after 5:00 p.m. Mass) at Holy Redeemer Church, 44 Rothesay Dr., Kanata. Info: Holy Redeemer Parish Office: ([reception@holyredeemer.ca](mailto:reception@holyredeemer.ca)); (613-836-1764).

**PRO-LIFE MASS:** To continue the pilgrimage of prayer for the establishment of a Pro-Life Centre in Ottawa. Celebrate with the Nigerian community on **Sun., April 24, 1:30 p.m.** at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 400 St. Laurent Blvd. Info: (613-831-2515).

**ACTION LIFE – 27<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HIKE FOR LIFE 2016:** Raising funds for pro-life education. **Sat., Apr. 30.** Registration: 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. at Saint Patrick Basilica (in the basement). Official kickoff: 9:00 a.m. Further info: ([www.actionlife.org](http://www.actionlife.org)).

**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.** Info: (<http://www.marchforlife.ca/>). YouTube promotional video: (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8x3wyCFGzxc>).

**SUPPORT LIFECANADA'S #280TODAY SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN:** To raise awareness of the numbers of preborn children, and women victimized by abortion in Canada every day. Join the campaign (<http://thndr.me/H9ur8i>) and click "SUPPORT" (not financial). Campaign launches **April 28, 2:00 p.m.** Info: LifeCanada (1-866-780-5433, ext.2); ([info@lifecanada.org](mailto:info@lifecanada.org)).

**CANADIAN FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC PHYSICIANS' SOCIETIES' 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE:** "In Harmony with Human Dignity – Moral Dimensions in the Practice of Medicine". **June 3-5** at the Elizabeth Bruyère Hospital. Open to all physicians, healthcare professionals, allied health workers, and students. Forum to learn ethics in medicine in the context of the Catholic Faith, and to network with like-minded professionals. Details & registration by May 15: ([www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com](http://www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com)). Info: ([cds.ottawa@gmail.com](mailto:cds.ottawa@gmail.com)).

**ERIC GENUIS IN "CONCERT OF HOPE":** Classical compositions performed live by Catholic composer & concert pianist. Life-affirming message of hope. All welcome. **Fri., June 3, 7:30 p.m.** at St. Brigid's Centre for the Arts, 310 St. Patrick St. Cost: \$10 (+ \$2 online fee). Details & tickets: ([www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com](http://www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com)). Info: ([cds.ottawa@gmail.com](mailto:cds.ottawa@gmail.com)).

**DR. PETER KREEFT ON LIFE ISSUES – A PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES:** At the Elizabeth Bruyère Hospital, 1<sup>st</sup> floor auditorium (43 Bruyère St. on **Sat., June 4.** "Two Philosophies of Human Dignity in Western Culture" at 2:30-3:30 p.m.; "Grappling with the Meaning of Suffering Amidst Calls for Euthanasia" at 4:00-5:00 p.m. Cost: \$10/lecture; \$20 for both sessions. Details and tickets: ([www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com](http://www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com)). Info: ([cds.ottawa@gmail.com](mailto:cds.ottawa@gmail.com)).

## **ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP**

**CARE FOR CREATION - EARTH DAY:** On April 22, the world celebrates Earth Day. As Pope Francis said on Earth Day last year, "I urge all to look at the world through the eyes of the Creator: the Earth is an environment to protect and a garden

to cultivate.” Catholic Climate Covenant has prepared a one-hour program guide to help parishes, schools, and communities join the millions of others around the world celebrating Earth Day by focusing on the theme "Trees for the Earth." Info: ([www.catholicclimatecovenant.org](http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org)).

**MILK BAG WORKSHOP:** Help make milk bags into sleeping mats for the needy & care for the environment. The CWL at Our Lady of the Visitation Parish will be conducting a Milk Bag Workshop on **Tues., May 10, 10:00 a.m. - noon** in the Parish Hall (5338 Bank St.). Info & registration (required by May 3): Sandra Blais (613- 443-1453); ([Sandra.cwl.olv.rpp@gmail.com](mailto:Sandra.cwl.olv.rpp@gmail.com)).

### **PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**SCHOLA BASILICAE:** An hour of music for prayer and reflection during this Easter season. Enjoy sacred works by Tallis, Palestrina, di Lasso, Schiedt and other masters of early music in the quiet and beauty of Saint Patrick Basilica. **Sun., Apr. 24, 8:00 p.m.**, preceding the 9:00 p.m. Mass. All are welcome. Info: ([basilicachoirs@yahoo.ca](mailto:basilicachoirs@yahoo.ca)).

### **FAITH FORMATION**

**DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE – INTEREST COURSE:** *A Short History of Christian Mysticism*. Professor: Louis Roy O.P. **May 24 & 26, May 31 & June 2, June 7 & 9, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** This course will help Christians become more familiar with the teachings and practices of the great mystics. Info: ([www.dominicanu.ca](http://www.dominicanu.ca)); ([welcome@dominicanu.ca](mailto:welcome@dominicanu.ca)).

**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD:** All those with an interest in the spiritual formation of young children at home, school or parish are welcome to register for *Catechist Formation for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*, Level 1, Part B, in Ottawa, **July 11-16**. Info & registration: ([www.cgsac.ca](http://www.cgsac.ca)); Dale Balkovec ([balkovec@magma.ca](mailto:balkovec@magma.ca)); Ruth Ann McClure ([ruthann\\_mcclure@rogers.com](mailto:ruthann_mcclure@rogers.com)).

### **SCHOOLS**

**THE CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION OF OTTAWA – BENEFIT PRODUCTION:** *'The Marvelous Wonderettes'* at The Gladstone Theatre, **May 11 - 14** (7:30 p.m.; 2:30 p.m. matinee on May 14). This off-Broadway musical comedy features classics of the 1950's and 60's. Cost: adults \$39; seniors (65+) \$35; students (18 & under) \$25; groups of 10+ receive 10% discount. Tickets: online at ([www.thegladstone.ca](http://www.thegladstone.ca)); (613-233-4523). CEFO is a registered charity whose mandate is to support students of the Ottawa Catholic School Board who are living in poverty.

### **PARISH EVENTS & SOCIALS**

**THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA:** Film and concert fundraiser to support the campaign for Saint-Joseph Parish, Orléans on **Fri., May 6, 7:30 p.m.** View the 1925 American silent film on a large screen, accompanied by a musical improvisation by Philippe Bélanger. Tickets at the parish office (\$30) or at the door (\$40). Assigned seating available (except balcony). Door prizes. Info: (613-824-2472); Denis J. Pion (613-837-6894); ([djpion19073@rogers.com](mailto:djpion19073@rogers.com)).

### **MISSIONS & RETREATS**

**MISSION AT OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION:** With Redemptorist Fr. Eugene O'Reilly. *You deserve the rich new life God offers you.* **April 30 - May 4** at all weekend Masses and 7:00 p.m. 5338 Bank St. Info: (613-822-2197).

**EASTER MISSION AT ST. MARY PARISH WITH DR. MARY HEALY:** St. Mary Parish, 100 Young St. on **Sun., May 8 – Tues., May 10, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.** Guest speaker: Dr. Mary Healy, internationally-known speaker and teacher of Scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit, speaking on the Holy Spirit and Holy Boldness. All are welcome. Info: (613-728-9811).

**6-DAY SILENT PREACHED RETREAT:** *Living Trinitarian Life – A Call to Live with God Always*. Facilitator: David B. Perrin, OMI, PhD. **May 8, 7:00 p.m. – May 13, 1:00 p.m.** at Galilee Centre, Arnprior. Register by April 29. Cost: \$625. For men and women seeking to deepen their relationship with God. Info: ([www.galileecentre.com](http://www.galileecentre.com)); (613-623-4242, ext. 21); ([info@galileecentre.com](mailto:info@galileecentre.com)).

## **PILGRIMAGES & TOURS**

**QUEBEC'S ANCIENT SHRINES & GROSSE ÎLE:** An invitation from Saint Patrick Basilica. **Sept. 8-11.** Includes the Shrine at Sainte Anne de Beaupre & the Door of Mercy, Grosse Île and the Irish Memorial National Historic Site, the Holy Door at Notre-Dame de Quebec Basilica-Cathedral & Our Lady of Cape Shrine at Cape de la Madeleine. Cost/person: Twin \$679; Single \$936. A spiritual director will accompany tour. Offered by Ottawa Valley Tours. Reservations: (613-723-5701). Info: (<http://www.basilica.org/pdf/Knights2016QuebecCity.pdf>).

**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA & LOURDES WITH BARCELONA:** Join Fr. Virgil Amirthakumar, St. Isidore Parish, **Oct. 2-11 2016.** \$3,399 (double occupancy) including air, hotel and breakfasts and dinners. Info: parish office (613-592-1961); ([office@stisidorekanata.com](mailto:office@stisidorekanata.com)).

## **WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST**

**THE VANIER WAY:** Premieres on *EWTN Global Catholic Network*, **April 16, 11:00 p.m.** He has been called the 'Mother Teresa' of those with special needs with communities established all over the world. In the spring of 2015, a documentary crew followed 10 students from Jean Vanier Catholic High in Milton Ontario to meet their school's namesake, philosopher and L'Arche founder, Jean Vanier in Trosly, France. The students were immersed in L'Arche culture, working, sharing meals, stories and songs with core members. In this story, Jean Vanier teaches the students the true meaning of servant leadership. Promos: [The Vanier Way - Promo "The Journey"](#); [The Vanier Way - Promo "Servant Leadership"](#).

**FRIENDS OF MADONNA HOUSE:** An evening with Fr. Bob Wild of Madonna House discussing the status of Catherine's Cause for Canonization. **Sun., April 17, 7:00 p.m.** at Holy Rosary Church, 1153 Wellington. Free-will offering; bring snacks, desserts or beverages for social. Contact Per or Carole Talgo (613-260-9066); ([ottawafriendsofmh@gmail.com](mailto:ottawafriendsofmh@gmail.com)).

**THE COUNCIL ON AGING OF OTTAWA "LUNCH & LEARN" EVENT:** At the Wheel: Boomers and Beyond - Age-related changes and the impact on driving. Keynote speaker: Dr. Frank Knoefel, Bruyère Continuing Care. **Wed., May 4, 12:00 noon.** Limited space available. At the Council on Aging of Ottawa, 1247 Kilborn Place. Cost: \$5 for COA non-members. Important - Advanced Registration Required: Lise-Michèle Bouchard (613-789-3577 X 11); ([l-m.bouchard@coottawa.ca](mailto:l-m.bouchard@coottawa.ca)).

**MOTORCYCLE ENTHUSIASTS:** 5<sup>th</sup> annual 'Ride to the Father' takes place **Sat., May 14.** Mass 8:00 a.m. at Divine Infant, Orleans; blessing of the bikes; departure 9:15 a.m. New route; draws and prizes; refreshment breaks; fellowship. Men and women welcome. Info: Maurice (613-749-3940); ([ephesians610niv@gmail.com](mailto:ephesians610niv@gmail.com)) or Guy Cote (613-487-4163). Sponsored by the Band of Brothers Ottawa ministry.

**REGENERATING PLACES OF FAITH - A WORKSHOP FOR OTTAWA'S COMMUNITIES:** All Saints, 14 Blackburn Ave., **May 14.** Local faith groups, heritage and community organizations will share their experience, concerns and creative solutions to the challenges confronting places of faith in Ottawa. Details & registration: ([www.nationaltrustcanada.ca](http://www.nationaltrustcanada.ca)). General info: ([jdorner@Archottawa.ca](mailto:jdorner@Archottawa.ca)).

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR:** For Blessed Sacrament Parish. Regular part time position (24 hours/week). Duties include general parish office administration, correspondence, parish bulletin, sacramental correspondence, etc. Requirements include proficiency with Microsoft Office, general administration proficiency, a valid Ontario driver's license, a clear Canadian criminal records check or willingness to obtain. Send C.V. with 3 written references to [office@blessedsacrament.ca](mailto:office@blessedsacrament.ca) - attention Fr. Galen Bank, no later than April 17. We thank all applicants for their interest, but only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Details: (<http://www.catholicottawa.ca>).