

FRIDAY FACTS

Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

October 20, 2017

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Priests' Day with Sr. Briega McKenna: "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit - fruit that will last." [John 15:16]. Diocesan Centre, **Nov. 17, 12:00 - 4:30 p.m.** Sr. Briega McKenna is an acclaimed international speaker who gives retreats for Priests. Her book "Miracles do Happen" has been translated into many languages. Cost: \$20. Info: (thurley@archottawa.ca); 613-738-5025x231. Registration: [priest-retreat-with-sr-briega](#).



Relic of St. Francis of Assisi: The Archbishop and Catholic Christian Outreach are pleased to announce the relic (the arm of St. Francis Xavier) will be coming to fourteen Canadian Dioceses including the Archdiocese of Ottawa from December - February.

Joint Ecumenical Commemoration of the Reformation: The Archdiocese of Ottawa will be hosting a joint commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation at Notre Dame Cathedral, **Sat., Nov. 25, 12:00 pm.** Archbishop Prendergast and Bishop Michael Pryse will preside as the prayer meeting is being organized by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese and the Lutheran Diocese. The service will follow the *Common Prayer* liturgical guide, based on the Lutheran-Catholic dialogue report *From Conflict to Communion*. A reception will follow in Cathedral Hall. All are invited.

VOCATIONS

Prayer for Vocations: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 29. That men and women will be encouraged to love God and their neighbor with the love of the Heart of Christ and follow Him generously when chosen to serve others as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated religious life.

Priesthood Discernment Group: For men over the age of 18 who are interested in knowing more about the priesthood and the formation process. **Fri., Nov. 17, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** at St. Margaret Mary Parish Hall, 5 Fairbairn Ave. Info: Fr. Pierre Champoux, Vocations Director (vocations@archottawa.ca).

CARE FOR CREATION

CARE FOR CREATION – WATER: In their new resource, [Living Out Laudato Si' – A Commentary and Practical Resource for Canadian Catholics](#), our Canadian Bishops address the need for many Indigenous communities to have access to clean drinking water. Acts recommended: Work to ensure all communities in Canada have access to safe drinking water; avoid bottled water (Ottawa has high quality water). Info: John Dorner (jdorner@archottawa.ca; 613-738-5025, ext. 251).

PRO-LIFE

40 Days for Life Campaign: A time to fast and pray for the end of abortion. Intercede for God's mercy on the unborn and those who would deny them life. Daily prayer vigil, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. until **Nov. 5.** Info: (613-299-2515); (<https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/ottawa/>).

True North Strong for Life National Pro-Life Conference: Hilton Garden Inn Ottawa Airport, **Nov. 3-4.** Your support is needed for this important pro-life effort. Please attend or sponsor a delegate. Info: www.truenorth2017.eventbrite.com; info@actionlife.org; 613-798-4494. Banquet only tickets also available.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Remembrance Masses: Ceremony before the 5 pm Mass on Sat., Nov. 4 and before the 8 am and 10:30 am Masses on Sun., Nov. 5. St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Rd. Info: Dan Beausoleil (613-820-1117); pearldan@magma.ca.

Heart of Worship Adoration Night: Speaker: Rev. Paul Nwaeze. Evening includes praise & worship music, silent adoration, opportunity for confession followed by food & fellowship. Last Tuesday of every month at Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr, Kanata, **Tues, Oct. 31, 7-9pm**. Info: (613-836-1764), reception@holyredeemer.ca.

FAITH FORMATION

Saint Augustine and Thinking Theologically Today: An informal evening presentation that will explore how Christian faith connects with the concerns of our lives. Saint Paul University, Room 201, Main Building, **Wed., Oct. 25, 7:00-8:00 p.m.** Sponsored by Faculty of Theology, Saint Paul University. Info: www.ustpaul.ca.

The Prophecy Fulfilled: Bible Study on The Gospel of Matthew: Six sessions with Fr. Daryold Winkler held every Wednesday evening during the month of November at 6:30 p.m. and repeated every Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. beginning Nov. 1 or Nov. 2. St. Elizabeth Parish, 1303 Leaside Ave. No cost. Info: 613-725-2242.

OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS

Divine Mercy Conference: Theme: *Lord, I hear you calling my name*. Holy Cross Parish, 685 Walkley Rd., **Nov. 18, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.** Speaker: Sister Briega McKenna. Cost: \$45. Sponsored by John Paul II Centre for Divine Mercy. Info: jp2centre.com.

SCHOOLS

Theology, philosophy and literature workshops for primary students, high school and adults: Private Catholic School *Academia Stella Maris* offering new 6 week workshops in Metcalfe at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish starting Nov. 9. Registration or more info: www.academiastellamaris.ca; Stephanie 343-883-6600. Deadline: Nov. 4.

Academia Stella Maris' Fall Fundraiser: Paint with Paint and Sip: An evening of painting a nativity scene with the guidance of painter Lorena Sollows. **Fri., Nov. 17, 6:30-9:30 p.m.** at Sainte Euphémie, Casselman OR **Sat., Nov. 25, 6:30-9:30 p.m.** at Blessed Sacrament. Epicure products, gift cards from FundScrip programs. Tickets: www.academiastellamaris.ca.

BAZAARS & CRAFT FAIRS

Annual Fall Tea & Bazaar: Hosted by the Catholic Women's League, St. Mary's Council, Almonte on **Sat., Oct. 28, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.** at the Almonte Civitan Hall, 500 Almonte St., Almonte. Info: (613-256-1034).

St. Augustine Parish Annual Fall Rummage Sale: White elephant table, nearly new and used fashions, furniture, toys, Christmas. **Sat., Oct. 28, 10:00 a.m. - noon**. Proceeds to help needy of parish. 1060 Baseline Rd. Info: b.roy@rogers.com.

The Good Shepherd Catholic Women's League Craft Fair: Arts & craft tables, jewelry, children's clothing & toys plus much more. Home baking at the bake table. Lunch with homemade soups & sandwiches. Cafe offers coffee and muffins. Free parking and admission. 3092 Innes Rd., **Sat., Nov. 4, 9:00-2:00 pm**. Free. Info: lanakinnie@rogers.com; 613-830-7071.

St. Theresa Parish Christmas Bazaar: Tea Room, Bake Table, crafts, jewellery and more. **Sat., Nov. 4, 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** In the parish hall (Cartier St. & Somerset W.). Free parking. Info: Val Poirier (613-837-3836) or parish office (613-235-5119).

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

Seminar by Shaunti Feldhahn: Kindness Changes Everything. The Chamber, Ben Franklin Place, 101 Centrepointe Dr., **Fri., Nov. 17, 7:30 p.m.** Registration at 7 p.m. Cost: \$25/person, \$40/couple. Sponsored/hosted by Neeje Association for Women and Family (<http://neeje.ca/>). Info: gdroussy@bell.net; 819-770-3578.

Beyond The Talk: Raising and Protecting Children in A Pornified World: Practical and spiritual practices for parents. St. Paul's Presbyterian, 971 Woodroffe, **Sat., Oct. 28, 10am-2pm**. Cost: \$30. Sponsored by *Strength To Fight*. Info: www.eventbrite.ca.