

FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

September 8, 2017

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Annual Archbishop's Charity Dinner: A fundraising event in support of families. At the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre on **Wed., Oct. 18**. The Archbishop has chosen four beneficiaries this year: Serenity Renewal for Families, Patro D'Ottawa, House of Hope and Healing and Centre des Services à la Famille. Poster [here](#). [Order tickets here](#). Info: Development Office (613-738-5025, ext. 202) or (dev@archottawa.ca).

Solemn Mass on the Occasion of the 150th Anniversary of Canadian Confederation with Consecration of Canada to the Immaculate Heart of Mary: On **September 26th**, in this year of the 150th anniversary of Canadian Confederation, Archbishop Prendergast will be hosting his brother bishops from across Canada to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada with them. This Solemn Mass will be held at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica at 3:30 p.m. All are encouraged to attend. The faithful will be invited to join the bishops in the consecration of Canada to our Blessed Mother. Priests and deacons who plan on attending, are asked please confirm their presence at gouellette@archottawa.ca before September 22nd in order for sufficient space to be reserved for them.

The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World

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

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. 10, 2:30 p.m.** and at Hope Cemetery (613-822-1212) on **Sun., Sept. 17, 2:30 p.m.** Archbishop Prendergast will preside at both prayer services.

The Board of Directors of the St. Joseph Ecclesiastical Society: Invite members to the Annual General Meeting which will take place on **Thurs., Sept. 21**, beginning at 10:30 a.m., at the Diocesan Centre. The business part of the meeting will be followed by lunch. So that we may know the numbers for lunch, would you kindly advise Diocesan Administration as to your presence at, or absence from, the meeting (rsvp@archottawa.ca), or by phone (613-738-5025, ext. 253 [available 24/7]).

Leadership Development for Priests: Refresh what you already know, renew your energy and discover useful ideas on leadership and management specific to priests, in sessions at the Diocesan Centre, 3-4 Fridays per year, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. First session: **Fri., Sept. 29, 10:00 a.m.** Please register by Sept. 22, either by email to: abrown@ArchOttawa.ca or [online](#).

Priests' Retreat: The 2017 Priests' Retreat will take place at Wadhams Hall, Ogdensburg, New York, **Mon., Oct. 23 – Fri., Oct. 27**. Details in the July 27 letter (by email). Register [online](#) or contact Pastoral Services: abrown@ArchOttawa.ca; (613-738-5025 x217). Registration confirmed upon receipt of cheque payable to RCECO **by Sept. 22**.

Wills, Powers of Attorney, Probate, Executors; Tax Tips for Seniors; Catholic Cemetery Services; Planned Giving: On **Sun., Oct. 1, 1:00 p.m.**, a presentation covering these topics will be given at Holy Spirit Parish Hall, 1489 Shea Road, Stittsville, by professionals in their field and will take about 1 ½ hours. Refreshments will be served; all are welcome. Please indicate your attendance with the Development Office of the Archdiocese: 613-738-5025 x202; dev@ArchOttawa.ca.

Day for Parish Secretaries & Administrative Assistants: An invitation to parish secretaries & administrative assistants to join Pastoral Services at the Diocesan Centre, 1247 Kilborn Place on **Thurs., Sept. 28, 12:30 p.m.** to meet our staff, have lunch together, and visit our offices. RSVP [online](#) by Sept. 20. Info: abrown@ArchOttawa.ca. We look forward to meeting you!

Change to Friday Facts: We are updating our Friday Facts event/notice submission as of September 2017. Friday Facts event/notices should now be submitted using this [online link](#). The new submission deadline is **Tuesday noon**.

Requesting a Parish Confirmation Date: All parishes wishing to schedule a date(s) for a parish Confirmation in 2017-2018 should submit their request [online here](#), no later than **Tues., Oct. 3** to allow for co-ordination with Archbishop Prendergast, SJ and Bishop Riesbeck, CC. To complete the online submission, you will need to provide at least 3 possible dates, the time and location of the celebration(s) and an estimate of the number of candidates. We encourage you to choose a date(s) before Holy Week and Easter (before March 25, 2018). If your candidate numbers are 20 or less, please give serious consideration to joining with a neighbouring parish. Info: abrown@ArchOttawa.ca; 613-738-5025 ext. 217.

DIOCESAN DATES TO NOTE

Sept. 10 – Commemoration at Notre Dame Cemetery

Sept. 15 & 16 – Called & Gifted Seminar

Sept. 17 – Commemoration at Hope Cemetery

Sept. 21 – Deadline to order CCCB books for Pastoral Day

Sept. 28 – Day for Parish Secretaries & Administrative Assistants

Sept. 29 – Leadership Development for Priests

Oct. 1 – Wills, Powers of Attorney, Probate, Executors; Tax Tips for Seniors; Catholic Cemetery Services; Planned Giving

Oct. 3 – Deadline to submit Confirmation Date

Oct. 5 – Pastoral Day

Oct. 18 – Archbishop's Charity Dinner

Oct. 23-27 – Priests' Retreat

Parish Orders for CCCB Books: 2017-2018 *Ordo* (182-427); *The Order of Celebrating Matrimony* (182-428) – **mandatory as of Sept. 8, 2017**; *Celebrating Matrimony-Liturgy Planning Guide* (182-432); and *Workbook for Lectors* (184-947). For regular prices and details, visit [CCCB Publications](#). Regular diocesan discounts apply for parish orders; an invoice will be enclosed with the books. To order, for pick-up on Pastoral Day in October: please contact abrown@ArchOttawa.ca no later than **Thurs., Sept. 21**. **NOTE:** Some publications from the CCCB are now available at a [50% discount](#).

2017-2018 DIOCESAN PASTORAL CALENDAR: If priests or those in parish offices wish access to the Diocesan Pastoral Calendar via Google Calendar, please email abrown@ArchOttawa.ca.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Mr. Adrien Charles Gervais who died peacefully at home on Thurs., Aug. 31, 2017 in his 94th year. He was the brother of Archbishop Emeritus Marcel Gervais of Ottawa. A Mass of Christian Burial will held at 10:00 a.m. on September 6, 2017 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Barrie. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Dawn Cottrell, the mother of Faith Stephenson and mother-in-law of Deacon Thomas Stephenson. She passed away August 30, 2017, in her 95th year. Please pray for her and her family.

FROM THE CCCB

Collection – Needs of the Church in Canada: This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the National Episcopal Conference and to the respective regional episcopal assembly (Ontario). The collection is scheduled for the weekend of **Sept. 24**.

2017 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation: To mark the 2017 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, celebrated on Sept. 1, Pope Francis and Orthodox Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew have issued a [joint message](#). In the message's conclusion they

"appeal to those in positions of social and economic, as well as political and cultural, responsibility to hear the cry of the earth and to attend to the needs of the marginalized, but above all to respond to the plea of millions and support the consensus of the world for the healing of our wounded creation."

Living Out Laudato Si': A Commentary and Practical Resource for Canadian Catholics: On the occasion of the third World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, the Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has published a new resource entitled [Living Out Laudato Si': A Commentary and Practical Resource for Canadian Catholics](#). [Read more...](#)

Life and Family Suggestions for Homilies and Prayers of the Faithful during September 2017: At the beginning of the 2017-2018 pastoral year, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) continues to post homily ideas and prayers of the

faithful to help link the Sunday liturgy with the national pastoral initiative for life and family. As usual, the suggestions for homilies and prayers can be easily adapted for family prayer or for use with other groups. "[Life & Family](#)".

VOCATIONS

Prayer for Vocations: 24th Sunday in OT – Sept. 17. That those who are called by God to be instruments of His love and mercy in this world will have the courage and generosity to say yes, and receive the support of their families and friends.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Season of Creation - Sept. 1 – Oct. 4: Pope Francis has proclaimed September 1 as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. This day begins the Season of Creation which ends on Oct. 4 (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi). Resources for parishes: <http://seasonofcreation.org>; <http://greenchurches.ca/education>. Info: jdorner@archottawa.ca.

PRO-LIFE

40 Days for Life Campaign: A time to fast and pray for the end of abortion. Held this year **Sept. 27 – Nov. 5**. 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. Info: (613-299-2515); (<https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/ottawa/>); Opening Rally **Sun., Sept. 24, 7:00 p.m.** at Bank & Sparks St.

National Pro-Life Conference 2017 in Ottawa: Life Canada and Action Life Ottawa are co-hosting the National Pro-Life Conference in Ottawa on **Nov. 3-4, 2017**. Early bird deadline: Oct. 2. Youth workshop for senior high and up on Fri., Nov. 3. Info: www.truenorth2017.eventbrite.com; info@actionlife.org; 613-798-4494. Limited student/religious sponsorships.

FAITH FORMATION

Called & Gifted Spiritual Gifts Seminar: Run in conjunction with the Catherine of Sienna Institute, this is an opportunity to discover God's plan for your life, give you a new perspective and lead to more fulfillment in work and relationships. Diocesan Centre, 1247 Kilborn Place, **Sept. 15, 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. & Sept. 16, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** Sponsored/hosted by Family & Youth Ministry Office. Info & registration: fymottawa.com; Krista kwawrykow@archottawa.ca, 613-738-5025 x 222. We especially invite young adults 21 years or older to participate. Registration closes **Mon., Sept. 11** at noon.

That Man is You! The Knights of Columbus at St. Patrick's Basilica will be running this acclaimed program for Catholic men beginning on **Sat., Sept. 16**. The program begins at 8:15 a.m. with continental breakfast and ends by 9:45 a.m. All men ages 18 and up are encouraged to attend. Info: <http://paradisusdei.org/that-man-is-you/>.

Alpha Course at Holy Redeemer Parish: 44 Rothesay Dr. Kanata, starting **Sept. 26** with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Registration is required. Phone Jennifer at 613-836-1764 to register. Free will offering. Info: reception@holyredeemer.ca. The course will run for 11 Tuesdays with a one week break each month. All-day retreat on Sat., Nov 11.

Alpha Dinner Film Series on Tuesdays at St. Mary Parish: The Alpha Experience starts **Tues., Oct. 3** and continues weekly with a hot dinner at 6:30 pm., followed by a fast-paced teaching film and questions. 100 Young St. (lower hall - access via parking lot). Cost: \$5 requested. Info: www.stmarysottawa.ca/home/alpha. Info session with dinner, **Tues., Sept. 19, 6:30 pm**. Info/registration: www.stmarysottawa.ca/home/alpha. Questions? alpha@stmarysottawa.ca; 613-728-9811 x701.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

70th Anniversary Mass and Dinner: 70th Anniversary Mass with Archbishop Prendergast at Our Lady of Fatima, followed by Anniversary Dinner 6:00 pm at Algonquin College. Our Lady of Fatima Parish, **Sat., Oct. 14, 4:30 pm**. Dinner tickets \$55. Info: 613-828-7824. Dinner tickets must be purchased by Oct. 2: Robert Haack 613-828-7824.

OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS

EWTN Canada Media Missionary Gathering in Ottawa this Saturday: Adoration, Confession, Mass, lunch and a viewing of the [St. Rita movie](#) movie with popcorn on the big screen at St. Margaret Mary Parish, 7 Fairbairn Ave., **Sat., Sept. 9, 10 am.** More info and RSVP (by Fri., Sept. 8, 5:00 pm): (613-915-0972); sescobar@ewtn.com. All are welcome. Mass at 11 am; adoration & confessions at 10 am.

Men's Breakfast at St. Augustine: The speaker will be John Paul Moreau whose talk is entitled "Chauffeur to the Gates of Heaven." Continental breakfast (with boiled eggs & beans). All men welcome. 1060 Baseline, near Merivale, **Sat., Sept. 30, 8:00 a.m.** Cost: \$5 at the east door of the church. Info: RSVP at breakfastformen@gmail.com or Denis (613-228-7646).

PILGRIMAGES

8th Annual Pilgrimage to St-Joseph's Oratory: Special stop at the Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha in Kahnawake Québec. From the Dioceses of Ottawa, Gatineau, Pembroke, Mont Laurier, Alexandria/Cornwall and Kingston. **Sun., Oct. 18.** Mass at the Oratory in Basilica at 11:00 a.m. with Les Petits Chanteurs du Mont-Royal. Info: Mike Budge (613-224-8110).

EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Saint Patrick Basilica Parish is seeking to hire a Housekeeper/Cook: This is a full-time (Monday to Friday) permanent position with salary and benefits, including pension plan. For the job description, please visit the parish web site at www.basilica.ca. Send a resume and two work-related references to the Parish Office at info@basilica.ca, or by fax (613-234-8667). No phone calls please.

Part-time - Saint Patrick Basilica Parish is looking for a part-time custodian: To work mainly on weekends and statutory holidays. The custodian reports to the Property Superintendent and is responsible for the cleaning and maintenance of the Parish buildings and grounds. Please send an application with a brief work history to the Parish Office by email at info@basilica.ca, or by fax (613-234-8667). No phone calls please.

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

Walkathon for the Centretown Emergency Food Centre: This is a fundraiser for the Centretown Emergency Centre which is a project of 23 churches in the centre of Ottawa. Ottawa City Hall, **Sun., Oct. 15.** Cost: donation to the Centretown Churches Social Action Committee (CCSAC). Info: centretownchurches.org.

Seeking Participants to Help with NFP Research for One Month: If you live in the Ottawa-Gatineau region, you can help us in this important research. If you are a healthy woman between the ages of 18-42 years who is not breastfeeding and not using contraception, you may be eligible for the study. Info: <https://ovulationconfirmation.weebly.com/about.html> or MMcNamaraKilian@bruyere.org or call Clinical Trials - Bruyère Research Institute (613-562-6262 ext. 1631).

Red Cross - Case Worker Positions for the BC Fires: Due to all fires in the BC regions, Hays Recruiting has teamed up with the Canadian Red Cross and are in need of Case workers urgently to help with the relief. Info: Kaitlyn Mulligan (613-288-4297 x 506); Kaitlyn.mulligan@hays.com.